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I. INTRODUCTION

The Medicare program was established in 1965 to reduce the financial burden imposed on the elderly from large medical care expenditures. Since its inception, program spending has grown enormously. In 1970, Medicare reimbursements totalled $7.1 billion. By 1979, expenditures increased to $29.3 billion,[1] a fourfold increase. Physician services account for 22 percent of total Medicare expenditures. Like spending for other services, the amount spent on services of physicians has also increased significantly, from $1.4 billion in 1968 to $5.2 billion in 1978.

Escalation in physician expenditures are the result of increases in service utilization and increases in the price per service. Service utilization increases result from an expansion in eligibility and/or an increase in the per capita use of services. Increases in the price per service result from an increase in the fee received for a given service or a shift toward a more expensive mix of services. To limit the increase in physician expenditures under the Medicare program it is necessary to either control service utilization and/or the price of services. Beginning in 1975, the federal government imposed restrictions on the rate of increase in the price per service via imposition of the Medicare Economic Index (MEI). This paper examines the impact of the economic index on the fees which physicians receive from the Medicare program for providing services to Medicare eligibles.

II. BACKGROUND

Medicare legislation originally provided for physicians to be reimbursed by the program on the basis of their reasonable, customary and prevailing charge. A physician's reasonable charge was defined to be the lowest of (1) the billed charge for the service, (2) the customary charge which is the physician's median charge for services rendered during the calendar year immediately preceding the fee screen year,* and (3) the prevailing charge, which is set at the 75th percentile of all customary charges for the same service in the same geographic area weighted by the number of services a physician provides.

The 1972 amendments to the Social Security Act provided that beginning after June 30, 1973, prevailing charge levels could not exceed the levels for 1973 "except on the basis of appropriate economic index data which demonstrate that such higher prevailing charge is justified."[2] Implementation of the economic index was postponed due to the Economic Stabilization Program (ESP) which was in effect from August 1971 to April 30, 1974 and which severely restricted the rate of increase in Medicare reasonable fees. From May 1, 1974 until June 30, 1975, reasonable fees were determined on the basis of the reasonable, customary and prevailing charge methodology without reference to the MEI. From July 1, 1975 to the present, the MEI has been used to restrain the rate of increase in prevailing charges.**

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*A physician's actual charges for services rendered January-December, 1978 would be used to calculate the customary charge for services rendered during the fee screen year, July 1, 1979 to June 30, 1980.

**When the economic index provision was finally implemented, it would have resulted in a rollback of prevailing charges for some physicians to levels below those which existed for fiscal year 1975. Congress responded to this with a provision in PL 94-182 which raised all prevailing charge levels for 1976 which would have been lower than actual fiscal year 1975 levels to the level for 1975. Enactment of P.L. 94-368 provided that implementation of the economic index would never result in a rollback of prevailing charges below the 1975 level.

The value of the MEI from year to year is determined by (a) changes in the general earnings levels of workers due to factors other than productivity increases and (b) changes in the expenses incurred by physicians in office practice. To calculate expenses incurred by physicians in office practice, expenditure increases for goods and services computed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics are used. They include 1) hourly earnings of non-supervisory workers in finance, insurance and real estate, 2) housing component of the CPI, 3) private transportation component of the CPI, 4) drugs and pharmaceutical component of the producer price index and 5) the overall increase in the CPI which is applied to miscellaneous expenses. A sixth item, malpractice insurance premium is obtained via survey of several major insurers. These six expenditure items are weighted to obtain the expenses component of the MEI. The weights reflect the share of office expenses represented by each component of the index. In 1979 these weights were .44, .22, .06, .11, .04 and .13 for components one through six respectively. The earnings component of the MEI is derived by taking the average weekly earnings of production and non-supervisory workers and omitting from it the increases in output per man hour. To calculate the final value of the index, the earnings and expenses component are weighted on a 40-60 percent basis.

The MEI is applied in the following manner:

> If the increase in the prevailing charge in a locality for a particular medical item or service resulting from an aggregate increase in customary charges for that item or service does not exceed the index... the increase is permitted and any portion of allowable increase not used is carried forward and is a basis for justifying increases in that prevailing charge in the future. However, if the increase in the prevailing charge exceeds the allowable percentage of increase, the increase will be reduced to the allowable percentage. Future increases will be justified only to the degree they do not exceed further rises in the economic index.[3]

The implementation of the MEI has a number of policy implications. First, if customary charges increase at rates above that permitted by the MEI, the proportion of physicians whose reasonable charge equals the index will increase over time. There would be a movement toward the use of a fee schedule for reimbursing physician services under Medicare.

Secondly, the use of the MEI severs, to some extent, the relationship between current billed charges and future reasonable fees. Previously, so long as physicians had customary charges which were below the 75th percentile, they could increase future reasonable fees by increasing current billed charges. The MEI puts an additional constraint on the ability of physicians to determine future reasonable fees and one might anticipate a decline in the rate of increase in billed charges by physicians who are constrained by the MEI.

A third effect of the MEI is that it will lock in relative fee differentials across specialties and geographic areas. The current MEI is applied across all physicians regardless of practice location or specialty. For California, which maintains separate prevailing profiles for each of 28 PSRO areas and over 25 specialties this means a locking in of relative prices across each of these dimensions. This could affect the future location decisions of physicians and/or their willingness to provide services to the Medicare population.

This paper assesses the impact of the MEI on limiting the rate of increase in the reasonable fees of physicians. We will compare the customary charges of physicians to the indexed prevailing charges for selected procedures in 1978 and 1980 to examine evidence of a movement toward the use of a fee schedule in the Medicare program. We will also compare indexed and unindexed prevailing charges for a selected number of profile areas, specialties and

procedures to determine whether the gap between the indexed and unindexed prevailings has increased between 1977 and 1980.

The data used in this study were obtained from Blue Shield of California and contain information on each physician provider in the State of California for each of the years 1977, 1978, 1979 and 1980. Included are the customary charges for each physician and each procedure, the actual prevailing charge (75th percentile of customaries) for each procedure, area and specialty and the indexed prevailing charge. We also have information on the number of services provided by the physician to Blue Shield or Occidental.* From this data one can determine the areas, procedures and specialties for which the MEI has constrained the prevailing fee and how the constraining effect has changed over time. The data also permit one to calculate the percent of customaries which fall above and below the indexed and unindexed prevailing fees.

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*Blue Shield is the Medicare carrier for northern California and the Medicaid carrier for the entire state. Occidental is the Medicare carrier for southern California. Blue Shield constructs customary and prevailing charge profiles using output and charges submitted by physicians for all patients, (both public and private) for which Blue Shield acts as a paying agent and all claims submitted to Occidental for Medicare and Medicaid patients.

III. FINDINGS

To determine whether the MEI did in fact curtail prevailing charges, we compared indexed and unindexed prevailing charges for a selected number of procedures across different areas and for selected specialties. Appendix A includes detailed tables for selected procedures and specialties and for each PSRO area on the unindexed prevailing, the indexed prevailing and the ratio of unindexed to indexed charges for 1977 through 1980. Table 1 summarizes the ratio of unindexed to indexed prevailings for a subset of procedures and for seven PSRO areas representing three large urban areas, two small urban areas and two rural areas.

The table shows that between 1977 and 1980 the MEI did increasingly constrain the value of prevailing charges. In 1977 the ratio of unindexed to indexed prevailing charges for brief office visit examinations of general practitioners was unity in each of the selected PSRO areas. In 1980, this ratio ranged from unity in the San Francisco area to 1.22 in Monterey and Santa Cruz and the two rural PSRO areas. The ratio of unindexed to indexed prevailings for internists and general surgeons also showed a general increase between 1977 and 1980. A similar pattern emerged for the limited office visit exams, indicating that the index was rising somewhat more slowly than the prevailing fees of physicians for these two procedures. This same pattern is also evident for hospital visits although it appears that actual prevailings levelled off between 1979 and 1980.

The upward trend in the ratio of unindexed to indexed prevailings while noticeable over the four year period did not occur consistently on a year by year basis. In some instances the ratios of unindexed to indexed prevailings actually declined. The actual prevailing fee is calculated at the 75th percentile of customary charges weighted by the number of times a procedure was performed by a physician. Thus, if physicians with relatively high

Table 1

Ratio of Unindexed to Indexed Prevailing Charges for Selected Specialties and Procedures
1977 to 1980

PSRO	Area	General Practice 1977	1978	1979	1980	General Surgery 1977	1978	1979	1980	Internal Medicine 1977	1978	1979	1980
90040 -- Established Patient Office Visits: Brief Examination													
	Large Urban												
05	San Francisco	1.00	1.11	1.05	1.00	1.02	1.11	1.05	1.07	1.05	1.03	1.07	1.07
21	Los Angeles (Districts 11, 13, 14)	1.00	1.11	1.12	1.17	1.00	1.03	1.05	1.04	1.00	1.04	1.17	1.01
25	Los Angeles (District 7)	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.20	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.11	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Small Urban												
12	Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz	1.00	1.00	1.23	1.22	1.00	1.01	1.07	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
16	San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara	1.00	1.08	1.24	1.15	1.38	1.10	1.23	1.22	1.00	1.11	1.05	1.20
	Rural												
10	Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus	1.00	1.10	1.10	1.22	1.00	1.10	1.31	1.30	1.00	1.03	1.26	1.17
02	Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen Modoc, Plumas, Sierra, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yuba	1.00	1.10	1.23	1.22	1.24	1.47	1.50	1.40	1.18	1.10	1.05	1.06

		Orthopedic Surgery 1977	1978	1979	1980	Ophthalmology 1977	1978	1979	1980
	Large Urban								
05	San Francisco	1.05	1.11	1.23	1.14	1.00	1.00	1.06	1.14
21	Los Angeles (Districts 11, 13, 14)	1.02	1.29	1.16	1.30	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
25	Los Angeles (District 7)	1.18	1.23	1.17	1.09	1.00	1.23	1.17	1.25
	Small Urban								
12	Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz	1.06	1.15	1.14	1.14	1.00	1.11	1.31	1.22
16	San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara	1.04	1.47	1.40	1.45	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Rural								
10	Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus	1.00	1.38	1.31	1.22	1.00	1.11	1.20	1.08
02	Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Sierra, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yuba	1.18	1.29	1.50	1.40	1.00	1.00	1.14	1.06

Table 1
(Cont.)

PSRO	Area	General Practice 1977	1978	1979	1980	General Surgery 1977	1978	1979	1980	Internal Medicine 1977	1978	1979	1980
90050 -- Established Patient Office Visits: Limited Examination													
	Large Urban												
05	San Francisco	1.17	1.11	1.16	1.30	1.17	1.29	1.40	1.30	1.05	1.11	1.17	1.09
21	Los Angeles (Districts 11, 13, 14)	1.00	1.00	1.06	1.11	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
25	Los Angeles (District 7)	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.05	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.17	1.09
	Small Urban												
12	Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz	1.07	1.00	1.12	1.10	1.00	1.00	1.27	1.35	1.00	1.00	1.06	1.00
16	San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.11	1.17	1.09	1.00	1.06	1.07	1.04
	Rural												
10	Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus	1.00	1.07	1.15	1.13	1.00	1.07	1.15	1.19	1.00	1.21	1.15	1.19
02	Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen Modoc, Plumas, Sierra, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yuba	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.05	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.05	1.00

		Orthopedic Surgery 1977	1978	1979	1980	Ophthalmology 1977	1978	1979	1980
	Large Urban								
05	San Francisco	1.00	1.04	1.17	1.25	1.25	1.18	1.23	1.22
21	Los Angeles (Districts 11, 13, 14)	1.00	1.00	1.17	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.40	1.30
25	Los Angeles (District 7)	1.00	1.23	1.17	1.09	1.00	1.00	1.17	1.09
	Small Urban								
12	Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz	1.00	1.00	1.17	1.09	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.10
16	San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Rural								
10	Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus	1.00	1.05	1.00	1.11	1.07	1.34	1.27	1.48
02	Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Sierra, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yuba	1.00	1.34	1.39	1.30	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

Table 1
(Cont.)

PSRO	Area	General Practice 1977	1978	1979	1980	General Surgery 1977	1978	1979	1980	Internal Medicine 1977	1978	1979	1980
90220 -- Initial Hospital Care: Comprehensive History and Physical Examination													
	Large Urban												
05	San Francisco	1.00	1.00	1.02	1.00	1.00	1.03	1.05	1.00	1.02	1.03	1.05	1.04
21	Los Angeles (Districts 11, 13, 14)	1.00	1.11	1.05	1.00	1.00	1.11	1.12	1.14	1.02	1.11	1.19	1.30
25	Los Angeles (District 7)	1.12	1.05	1.67	1.55	1.00	1.00	1.13	1.00	1.15	1.08	1.38	1.28
	Small Urban												
12	Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz	1.05	1.18	1.31	1.09	1.10	1.03	1.00	1.12	1.00	1.03	1.05	1.00
16	San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara	1.00	1.00	1.08	1.08	1.00	1.13	1.14	1.06	1.00	1.11	1.05	1.12
	Rural												
10	Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus	1.01	1.23	1.25	1.36	1.00	1.18	1.12	1.04	1.04	1.21	1.30	1.24
02	Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen Modoc, Plumas, Sierra, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yuba	1.08	1.14	1.17	1.12	1.12	1.05	1.17	1.09	1.00	1.10	1.12	1.04
90240 -- Hosital Visit: Brief Examination													
	Large Urban												
05	San Francisco	1.17	1.11	1.05	1.00	1.17	1.32	1.40	1.30	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.03
21	Los Angeles (Districts 11, 13, 14)	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.04	1.17	1.20	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
25	Los Angeles (District 7)	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Small Urban												
12	Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz	1.00	1.00	1.12	1.08	1.00	1.11	1.11	1.09	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
16	San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara	1.00	1.11	1.26	1.07	1.17	1.11	1.26	1.17	1.17	1.16	1.26	1.17
	Rural												
10	Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus	1.00	1.00	1.17	1.09	1.04	1.23	1.56	1.45	1.07	1.03	1.12	1.04
02	Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Sierra, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yuba	1.00	1.01	1.05	1.00	1.00	1.01	1.05	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.04	1.00

Table 1
(Cont.)

PSRO	Area	General Practice 1977	1978	1979	1980	General Surgery 1977	1978	1979	1980	Internal Medicine 1977	1978	1979	1980
20610 -- Arthrocentesis: Major Joint or Bursa													
	Large Urban												
05	San Francisco	1.03	1.16	1.11	1.03	1.00	1.05	1.17	1.09	1.00	1.04	1.25	1.35
21	Los Angeles (Districts 11, 13, 14)	1.20	1.20	1.17	1.30	1.29	1.29	1.23	1.14	1.00	1.20	1.17	1.45
25	Los Angeles (District 7)	1.25	1.50	1.80	1.95	1.00	1.00	1.40	1.04	1.50	1.72	1.64	1.52
	Small Urban												
12	Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz	1.23	1.34	1.27	1.30	1.51	1.47	1.59	1.52	1.26	1.23	1.17	1.14
16	San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara	1.04	1.00	1.25	1.16	1.00	1.03	1.00	1.00	1.19	1.36	1.46	1.52
	Rural												
10	Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus	1.14	1.61	1.43	1.19	1.06	1.11	1.19	1.14	1.06	1.40	1.50	1.43
02	Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen Modoc, Plumas, Sierra, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yuba	1.04	1.15	1.09	1.04	1.00	1.11	1.12	1.04	1.31	1.45	1.17	1.43
45300 -- Proctosigmoidoscopy													
	Large Urban												
05	San Francisco	1.02	1.00	1.06	1.13	1.	1.01	1.10	1.15	1.07	1.00	1.14	1.04
21	Los Angeles (Districts 11, 13, 14)	1.08	1.02	1.10	1.03	1.00	1.09	1.17	1.21	1.00	1.04	1.00	1.14
25	Los Angeles (District 7)	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.40	1.00	1.00	1.05	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.08	1.00
	Small Urban												
12	Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz	1.01	1.23	1.17	1.21	1.08	1.18	1.12	1.19	1.09	1.17	1.12	1.04
16	San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara	1.08	1.22	1.16	1.20	1.00	1.07	1.17	1.09	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Rural												
10	Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus	1.02	1.12	1.15	1.13	1.07	1.01	1.50	1.40	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.09
02	Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Sierra, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yuba	1.02	1.06	1.21	1.19	1.08	1.14	1.28	1.19	1.00	1.20	1.20	1.11

Table 1
(Cont.)

PSRO	Area	General Practice 1977	1978	1979	1980	General Surgery 1977	1978	1979	1980	Internal Medicine 1977	1978	1979	1980
71020 -- Chest X-Ray: Two Views													
	Large Urban												
05	San Francisco	1.04	1.00	1.06	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.05	1.00	1.00	1.01	1.05	1.04
21	Los Angeles (Districts 11, 13, 14)	1.00	1.00	1.03	1.06	1.00	1.00	1.07	1.06	1.00	1.02	1.07	1.00
25	Los Angeles (District 7)	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.17	1.00	1.11	1.16	1.02	1.00	1.11	1.05	1.14
	Small Urban												
12	Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz	1.00	1.08	1.05	1.13	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.02	1.01
16	San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.05	1.12	1.05	1.12	1.09	1.00	1.05	1.00	1.00
	Rural												
10	Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus	1.12	1.05	1.03	1.03	1.00	1.00	1.05	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
02	Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen Modoc, Plumas, Sierra, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yuba	1.01	1.00	1.11	1.00	1.02	1.00	1.05	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.01	1.00

Anesthesia		Anesthesiologists 1977	1978	1979	1980
	Large Urban				
05	San Francisco	1.20	1.33	1.48	1.45
21	Los Angeles (Districts 11, 13, 14)	1.14	1.50	1.59	1.58
25	Los Angeles (Distric 7)	1.08	1.37	1.59	1.60
	Small Urban				
12	Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz	1.17	1.49	1.62	1.58
16	San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara	1.25	1.64	1.71	1.75
	Rural				
10	Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus	1.10	1.29	1.56	1.52
02	Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen Modoc, Plumas, Sierra, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yuba	1.25	1.35	1.71	1.67

customary charges reduced their output of a service relative to low priced physicians, actual prevailing charges could decline. Since the indexed prevailing is the lower of the actual prevailing or the 1973 prevailing adjusted by the MEI, a shift in output among physicians with different customaries could affect both the indexed and unindexed prevailing fees. Thus it is possible to note a small increase or even a decline in the prevailing charge from one year to the next even though each physician may have continued to increase his billed charge from year to year. For example, we note a decline in the ratio of unindexed to indexed prevailing charges for San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara from 1979 to 1980 for general practitioners. Looking at the tables in Appendix A we can see that although the indexed prevailing increased during the period (from $12.12 to $13.03) the actual prevailing remained at $15 resulting in a narrowing of the gap between the two fees. Nevertheless, over a four year span of time the table does provide a good indication of the constraining effect of the MEI.

For the surgical procedures of arthrocentesis and proctosigmoidoscopy there is a noticeable increase in the ratio of unindexed to indexed prevailings between 1977 and 1980, indicating that the MEI applied to these procedures has become more constraining over time. The ratio of prevailings for chest x-rays did not increase between 1977 and 1980 for over half of the areas and specialties in the table.

Of all the procedures examined, the MEI appeared to have its largest impact on the prevailing fees for anesthesiology services. In 1977 the ratio of actual to indexed prevailing charges ranged from 1.10 to 1.25. By 1980 actual prevailing fees were from 45 percent to 75 percent higher than indexed prevailing charges.

There appears to be no consistent pattern as to whether the index has had a more constraining effect among certain areas and specialties than among others. The shift in output that seems to be occurring between high priced and low priced physicians also makes it difficult to assess the number of physicians who have been affected by the MEI limitations.

To calculate the number of physicians likely to be affected by the MEI limitations, we compared the customary charges of physicians to the indexed prevailing fee for selected procedures. The higher the proportion of customary charges above the indexed prevailing, the more constraining is the MEI and the greater is the movement toward the use of a fee schedule for physicians' services.* Table 2 presents the percent distribution of customary charges compared to indexed and unindexed prevailing fees for 1978 and 1980.

Physicians with customaries which are below the level of the indexed prevailing would not have their reasonable fees affected by the MEI since the customary would be the constraining factor. Physicians whose customaries lie between the indexed and unindexed prevailing fees have had their reasonable fees reduced as a result of the MEI. In the absence of the MEI and assuming their billed charge was above the indexed prevailing, their customary charge would have been their reasonable fee. Physicians with customaries above both the indexed and unindexed prevailing fees are also constrained by the MEI although the constraint is of a different nature. In the absence of the MEI these physicians would have their reasonable fees equal to the unindexed

*Actually, a physician's reasonable fee for a procedure is the minimum of the current billed charge, the customary charge and the indexed prevailing charge. Customary charges are equal to billed charges lagged 18 months. So long as physicians do not reduce billed charges one would expect current billed charges to exceed the value of the customary and hence not be the constraint in determining the reasonable fee. Thus, the relationship between customary charges and indexed prevailings is a good indication of the constraining effects of the MEI on fees paid to physicians by Medicare.

Table 2

Percent Distribution of Physicians by Relation of Customary Charges to Indexed and Unindexed Prevailing Charges

Procedure and Specialty	1978 Customary <Indexed Prevailing	1978 Indexed Prevailing < Customary < Actual Prevailing	1978 Customary >Actual Prevailing	1978 Number of Customaries	1980 Customary <Indexed Prevailing	1980 Indexed Prevailing < Customary < Actual Prevailing	1980 Customary >Actual Prevailing	1980 Number of Customaries
Office Visit: Limited Exam								
General Practice	56.9	18.1	25.0	4737	53.4	23.5	23.1	3508
General Surgery	46.2	22.1	31.7	1354	48.3	28.0	23.7	1144
Internal Medicine	55.4	24.2	20.4	3083	42.7	34.4	22.9	2632
Orthopedic Surgery	49.3	27.3	23.5	938	45.9	36.7	17.4	907
Ophthalmology	61.8	14.6	23.6	1035	57.0	24.2	18.8	938
Hospital Visit: Initial Comprehensive Exam								
General Practice	63.0	18.0	19.0	2334	65.6	16.6	17.8	2155
General Surgery	53.1	26.9	20.0	817	62.9	21.8	15.3	839
Internal Medicine	53.1	26.0	20.8	2438	52.3	30.9	16.8	2618
Othopedic Surgery	58.8	20.4	20.8	447	62.7	24.5	12.8	469
Hospital Visit: Limited Exam								
General Practice	77.5	5.1	17.4	3337	63.0	16.4	20.6	2522
General Surgery	70.4	10.5	19.1	1288	60.9	17.3	21.8	1120
Internal Medicine	65.0	14.6	20.4	3148	49.5	31.6	19.0	2849
Orthopedic Surgery	68.5	11.6	19.9	845	55.4	26.2	18.3	747
Ophthalmology	79.9	7.2	12.9	373	72.0	17.2	10.8	279
Chest X-Ray Two Views								
Genral Practice	73.1	12.4	14.4	1801	72.7	14.5	12.8	1240
General Surgery	71.6	12.7	15.7	268	70.8	10.4	18.8	144
Internal Medicine	72.9	8.7	18.4	1328	71.7	13.6	14.7	919
Radiology	74.6	13.9	11.4	595	73.4	17.6	9.0	665
Eye Examination								
Ophthalmologists	70.9	8.0	21.1	1009	75.5	13.4	11.1	846
Colectomy: Partial With Anastomosis								
General Surgeons	33.0	46.3	20.7	421	28.0	57.4	14.6	439
Herniorraphy: Inquinal								
General Surgeons	43.5	35.3	21.2	703	35.3	47.2	17.5	595
Eye Surgery: Extraction of Lens								
Ophthalmologists	65.9	18.9	15.2	952	55.8	33.0	11.2	824
Femur Fracture, Open Reduction With Internal Fixation								
Orthopedic Surgeons	19.5	65.4	15.0	619	12.4	73.0	14.6	540
Basic Anesthesiology								
Anesthesiologists	5.6	71.7	22.7	1730	.3	76.8	22.9	1473

prevailing and thus would have been constrained by the 75th percentile of customaries. As a result of the MEI their reasonable fees are reduced by the difference between the indexed and unindexed prevailing.

Between 1978 and 1980 we do note a movement toward the use of a fee schedule as evidenced by the increase in the percent of physicians with customaries above the indexed prevailing fees. In 1978, 43.1 percent of general practitioners had customaries greater than the indexed prevailing fees for limited exam office visits. By 1980, 46.6 percent of general practitioners were in this category. In the absence of the MEI in 1980 only 23.1 percent of general practitioners would have been constrained by the prevailing charge in 1980. Thus, an additional 23.5 percent of general practice physicians had their customary charges reduced because of the MEI constraint.

The specialties of general surgery, internal medicine, orthopedic surgery and ophthalmology followed a pattern for limited office visits similar to that of general practitioners. Of these specialties, internists represent the group most constrained by the MEI. In 1978, 44.6 percent of internists had customary charges that exceeded the indexed prevailing fee. By 1980, 57.3 percent had customaries above the indexed prevailing. 34.4 percent of internists in 1980 had customaries which fell between the indexed and unindexed prevailing fees and thus would not have had their customaries reduced in the absence of the index.

For initial comprehensive hospital exams an increase in the constraining effect of the MEI was less evident. In 1978, 37.0 percent of general practitioners had customary charges which exceeded the indexed prevailing fee. In 1980 only 34.4 percent of general practitioners had customaries which exceeded

the indexed prevailing. This result was likely due to a shift in output away from high priced providers and toward lower priced providers of care. This shift apparently occurred among general practitioners, general surgeons and orthopedic surgeons in their provision of comprehensive hospital visits.

For limited exam hospital visits, there was a noticeable shift in the percent of physicians with customaries above the indexed prevailing. In 1978 only 22.5 percent of general practitioners had customaries above the indexed prevailing fee. By 1980, 37 percent of general practitioners had customaries in this category. The shift among general surgeons between 1978 and 1980 was similar, from 29.6 percent with customaries above prevailing in 1978 to 39.1 percent in 1980. The most noticeable change occurred among internists; in 1978, 35 percent had customary charges above the indexed prevailings and by 1980 over 50 percent of the customaries exceeded the indexed prevailings. As for office visits, the proportion of customaries falling between the indexed and unindexed prevailings for hospital visits increased substantially between 1978 and 1980, reflecting the widening gap between the constrained and unconstrained prevailing charges.

The distribution of customary charges relative to prevailing fees changed little between 1978 and 1980 for chest x-rays. However, the constraining effect of the MEI on surgical fees was substantial. In 1978, 67 percent of surgeons had customaries which exceeded the indexed prevailing fees for colectomies. 46.3 percent had customaries above the indexed prevailing but below the unindexed prevailing fee. In 1980, 72 percent of general surgeons had customaries which exceeded the indexed prevailing, and 57.4 percent of the customaries fell between the indexed and unindexed prevailings.

For herniorraphies the results were similar. 56.5 percent of general surgeons had customaries which exceeded the indexed prevailing in 1978 and by 1980 the proportion was 64.7 percent. The fraction of customaries falling between the indexed and unindexed prevailings rose from 35.3 percent in 1978 to 47.2 percent in 1980.

Orthopedic surgeons' customaries for fractures of the femur were severely constrained by the MEI. In 1978 80.4 percent of the physicians had customaries above the indexed prevailing fee. By 1980, 87.6 percent of customaries exceeded the indexed prevailing fees.

Ophthalmologists appear to be less constrained by the MEI than are physicians in other specialties. In 1978 only 29.1 percent of ophthalmologists were constrained by the indexed prevailing for eye exams and this fraction fell to 24.5 percent in 1980. Surgical fees were somewhat more constrained but ophthalmologists still fared better than other specialties. In 1978, 34.1 percent of these specialists had customaries above the indexed prevailings; by 1980, 44.2 percent of ophthalmologists were in this category.

The specialty most affected by the MEI was anesthesiology. In 1978 only 5.6 percent of anesthesiologists' customaries were below the indexed prevailing and by 1980 this had dropped to .3 percent. Approximately the same proportion of customary charges were above the 75th percentile in 1978 as in 1980; 22.7 percent in 1978 and 22.9 percent in 1980. The proportion of customaries falling between the indexed and unindexed prevailing fees increased from 71.7 percent in 1978 to 76.8 percent in 1980. Thus, nearly three-fourths of anesthesiologists who were constrained by the prevailing fee would not have been constrained if the MEI limitation did not exist.

IV. CONCLUSION

The results of our analysis indicate that the MEI has had some effect in holding down the reasonable fees of physicians under the Medicare program. Our findings also indicate that the constraining effect of the MEI has increased over time. Surgical and anesthesiological fees appear to be more constrained than office and hospital visit fees. There does not appear to be any differential impact of the MEI across regions or specialties for the same procedure.

Our analysis is based on a comparison of customary charges and actual prevailing fees to indexed prevailing charges. We have not assessed the impact which the MEI may have had on output of physicians' services. Physicians may respond to the MEI by altering the quantity of services or the mix of output which they provide to the program. In a later paper we assess the behavioral responses of physicians to the MEI limitation and also calculate the cost impact of the index on program and beneficiary costs.

FOOTNOTES

1. Gibson, Robert M., "National Health Expenditures, 1979," Health Care Financing Review,.Summer, 1980.

2. 42 C.F.R. sect. 405.504(a)(3)(i) (1976), 3 Medicare and Medicaid Guide, Para. 19,104 (CCH 1978).

3. 42 C.F.R. sect. 405.504(a)(3)(ii)(A) (1976), 3 Medicare and Medicaid Guide, Para. 19,104 (CCH 1978).

APPENDIX A

Comparison of Actual and Indexed Prevailing Charges for Selected Procedures

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES
Procedure: 90040 Established Patient Office Visit: Brief Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	10.00	12.50	14.00	15.00	9.00	14.00	15.00	15.75	12.00	15.00	15.00	16.00
01	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	9.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80
01	1.0	1.15	1.25	1.22	1.0	1.29	1.31	1.28	1.04	1.23	1.17	1.16
02	10.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	11.00	14.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.00
02	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	8.90	9.50	9.98	10.73	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26
02	1.0	1.10	1.23	1.22	1.24	1.47	1.50	1.40	1.18	1.10	1.05	1.06
03	11.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	14.00	12.00	15.00	17.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
03	11.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	12.80	12.00	14.26	15.00	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
03	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09	1.0	1.03	1.33	1.17	1.18	1.12	1.04
04	10.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	10.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	13.00	14.00	15.00
04	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	11.50	12.21	12.00	13.80
04	1.0	1.10	1.31	1.22	1.0	1.38	1.31	1.22	1.04	1.06	1.17	1.04
05	12.50	15.00	15.00	15.00	13.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	13.50	14.00	15.00	15.00
05	12.50	13.57	14.26	15.00	12.80	13.57	14.26	14.00	12.80	13.57	14.00	14.00
05	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.0	1.02	1.11	1.05	1.07	1.05	1.03	1.07	1.07
06	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	12.00	16.00	17.00	12.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	20.00
06	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.00	13.57	14.26	12.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	18.40
06	1.17	1.33	1.40	1.30	1.0	1.18	1.19	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09
07	12.50	15.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	16.00
07	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
07	1.09	1.23	1.25	1.09	1.30	1.23	1.25	1.23	1.09	1.11	1.12	1.04
08	10.00	12.00	14.50	15.00	10.00	12.00	14.00	15.40	9.50	11.00	14.00	14.00
08	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	9.50	10.86	11.41	12.26
08	1.0	1.10	1.27	1.22	1.0	1.10	1.23	1.26	1.0	1.01	1.23	1.14
09	12.00	15.00	15.00	17.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	17.00	18.00
09	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
09	1.04	1.23	1.17	1.23	1.04	1.15	1.17	1.09	1.17	1.11	1.19	1.17

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES
Procedure: 90040 Established Patient Office Visit: Brief Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
10	9.00	12.00	12.50	15.00	9.50	12.00	15.00	16.00	12.50	14.00	18.00	18.00
10	9.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	9.50	10.86	11.41	12.26	12.50	13.57	14.26	15.33
10	1.0	1.10	1.10	1.22	1.0	1.10	1.31	1.30	1.0	1.03	1.26	1.17
11	9.00	12.00	12.50	14.00	10.00	12.50	15.00	15.00	12.00	13.00	13.00	15.00
11	9.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26
11	1.0	1.10	1.10	1.14	1.0	1.15	1.31	1.22	1.18	1.20	1.14	1.22
12	10.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	9.75	11.00	12.25	12.25	12.00	13.00	13.00	15.00
12	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	9.75	10.86	11.41	12.25	12.00	13.00	13.00	15.00
12	1.0	1.0	1.23	1.22	1.0	1.01	1.07	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
13	10.00	12.50	14.00	15.00	10.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	16.00
13	8.90	9.50	9.98	10.73	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26
13	1.12	1.26	1.40	1.40	1.0	1.10	1.31	1.22	1.18	1.29	1.31	1.31
14	10.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	18.00	10.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
14	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26
14	1.0	1.10	1.23	1.22	1.18	1.38	1.31	1.47	1.0	1.38	1.31	1.22
15	10.00	14.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	18.00
15	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80	12.00	14.93	15.00	15.00
15	1.29	1.31	1.22	1.04	1.15	1.17	1.08	1.0	1.0	1.01	1.0	1.2
16	10.00	12.50	15.00	15.00	14.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	18.00
16	10.00	11.53	12.12	13.03	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33
16	1.0	1.08	1.24	1.15	1.38	1.10	1.23	1.22	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.2
17	11.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	17.00	15.00	15.00	18.00	18.00
17	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	15.00	15.00	17.11	18.00
17	1.08	1.38	1.31	1.22	1.18	1.38	1.31	1.39	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0
18	12.00	15.00	15.00	18.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	22.00
18	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	15.00	16.96	17.83	19.16
18	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.17	1.0	1.11	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.06	1.12	1.15

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure: 90040 Established Patient Office Visit: Brief Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
19	12.00	15.00	15.00	20.00	12.00	15.00	17.50	17.50	15.00	17.00	20.00	20.00
19	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40
19	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.30	1.10	1.11	1.23	1.14	1.0	1.04	1.17	1.09
20	12.00	15.00	17.00	18.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	19.00	20.00
20	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40
20	1.0	1.11	1.19	1.17	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.30	1.0	1.11	1.11	1.09
21	12.00	15.00	16.00	18.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	14.00	17.00	20.00	20.00
21	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	14.00	16.28	17.11	18.40
21	1.0	1.11	1.12	1.17	1.0	1.03	1.05	1.04	1.0	1.04	1.17	1.01
22	12.00	17.50	18.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
22	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
22	1.0	1.29	1.26	1.30	1.17	1.47	1.40	1.30	1.0	1.04	1.17	1.09
23	12.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	20.00
23	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.00	15.00	15.00	18.40
23	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.04	1.0	1.47	1.26	1.30	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.09
24	10.00	15.00	13.00	15.00	10.00	13.00	15.00	17.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	20.00
24	10.00	13.57	12.00	13.00	10.00	13.00	14.26	15.33	12.00	15.00	15.00	18.40
24	1.0	1.11	1.08	1.15	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09
25	12.50	15.00	15.00	18.00	12.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
25	12.50	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	20.00	20.00	18.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
25	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
26	12.00	15.00	17.00	20.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	18.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00
26	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40
26	1.0	1.11	1.19	1.30	1.0	1.11	1.27	1.17	1.0	1.11	1.17	1.09
27	12.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	10.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	10.00	12.00	14.00	15.00
27	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.00	11.53	12.12	13.03	10.00	12.00	14.00	15.00
27	1.18	1.29	1.31	1.31	1.0	1.04	1.24	1.38	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure: 90040 Established Patient Office Visit: Brief Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
28	11.00	12.50	15.00	15.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	11.00	12.00	14.00	15.00
28	11.00	12.21	12.83	13.80	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80	11.00	12.00	13.00	15.00
28	1.0	1.02	1.17	1.09	1.04	1.15	1.17	1.16	1.0	1.0	1.08	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90040: Established Patient Office Visit: Brief Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery				Radiology			
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	12.00	12.00	12.00	14.00	12.00	15.00	16.00	17.50	10.00	11.00	11.50	15.00
01	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.00	11.00	11.50	12.26
01	1.18	1.11	1.05	1.14	1.18	1.38	1.40	1.43	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.22
02	10.00	10.00	13.00	13.00	10.50	12.25	15.00	15.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
02	10.00	10.00	11.41	12.26	8.90	9.50	9.98	10.73	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26
02	1.0	1.0	1.14	1.06	1.18	1.29	1.50	1.40	1.0	1.01	1.05	1.22
03	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00	12.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
03	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
03	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.18	1.12	1.04	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
04	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	10.50	15.00	15.00	17.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
04	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
04	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.06	1.03	1.38	1.31	1.39	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
05	12.50	15.00	17.00	20.00	16.00	18.00	21.00	21.00	15.50	11.00	12.00	15.00
05	12.50	15.00	16.00	17.50	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.40	12.80	11.00	12.00	15.00
05	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.14	1.05	1.11	1.23	1.14	1.21	1.0	1.0	1.0
06	12.00	15.00	16.00	20.00	12.00	16.00	17.50	17.50	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
06	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
06	1.0	1.11	1.12	1.30	1.0	1.18	1.23	1.14	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
07	15.00	13.00	15.00	15.00	13.50	15.00	17. 0	20.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
07	12.80	13.00	14.26	15.00	2.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.80
07	1.17	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.05	1.11	1.19	1.30	1.0	1 .0	1.0	1.09
08	10.00	12.00	15.00	16.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
08	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	12.00	11.00	12.00	12.26
08	1.0	1.11	1.31	1.30	1.18	1.38	1.31	1.22	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.22
09	10.00	13.00	13.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	18.00	16.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
09	10.00	13.00	13.00	14.72	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	11.50	11.00	12.00	13.80
09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.02	1.17	1.8	1.12	1.17	1.39	1.0	1.0	1.09

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90040: Established Patient Office Visit: Brief Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery				Radiology			
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
10	10.20	12.00	12.00	13.00	10.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
10	10.20	10.86	10.00	12.00	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.00	11.00	12.00	12.26
10	1.0	1.11	1.2	1.08	1.0	1.38	1.31	1.22	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.22
11	10.50	12.00	12.50	14.00	10.00	12.00	13.00	15.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
11	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.00	11.00	12.00	12.26
11	1.03	1.11	1.10	1.14	1.0	1.11	1.14	1.22	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.22
12	10.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	10.80	12.50	13.00	14.00	9.00	11.00	14.00	15.00
12	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	9.00	10.86	11.41	12.26
12	1.0	1.11	1.31	1.22	1.06	1.15	1.14	1.14	1.0	1.01	1.22	1.22
13	10.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
13	8.90	9.50	9.98	10.73	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	10.00	11.00	12.00	12.26
13	1.12	1.26	1.40	1.40	1.0	1.11	1.12	1.04	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.22
14	10.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	13.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	12.00	11.00	12.00	15.26
14	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.00	11.00	12.00	15.26
14	1.0	1.47	1.40	1.30	1.02	1.11	1.12	1.11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.22
15	12.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	13.00	13.00	17.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	16.26
15	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80	12.00	13.00	13.00	15.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	12.26
15	1.04	1.23	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.13	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.21
16	11.00	12.00	13.00	15.00	12.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	12.00	16.00	20.00	20.00
16	11.00	12.00	13.00	15.00	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33
16	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.04	1.47	1.40	1.45	1.0	1.18	1.40	1.30
17	14.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.25	16.00	20.00	20.00
17	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.00	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.00	11.10	11.08	11.41	12.26
17	1.09	1.11	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.0	1.28	1.44	1.75	1.63
18	12.00	15.00	17.00	18.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	14.00	20.00	15.00	20.00
18	12.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	14.00	16.28	15.00	18.00
18	1.0	1.0	1.13	1.2	1.0	1.11	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.23	1.0	1.11

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90040: Established Patient Office Visit: Brief Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery				Radiology			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
19	12.00	12.00	20.00	18.00	15.00	15.00	16.50	16.50	14.00	15.00	18.00	23.00
19	12.00	12.00	14.26	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.50	16.50	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
19	1.0	1.0	1.40	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09	1.11	1.26	1.50
20	12.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	16.00	15.00	20.00
20	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.00	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
20	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.0	1.17	1.47	1.40	1.30	1.17	1.18	1.05	1.30
21	10.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	13.00	17.50	16.50	20.00	9.00	13.00	15.00	15.00
21	10.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	9.00	13.00	14.26	15.00
21	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.02	1.29	1.16	1.30	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0
22	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	13.00	16.00	20.00	20.00
22	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
22	1.17	1.47	1.40	1.30	1.17	1.33	1.40	1.30	1.02	1.18	1.40	1.30
23	15.00	15.00	17.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	21.00	12.00	16.00	20.00	20.00
23	15.00	15.00	15.00	20.00	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	12.00	16.00	17.11	18.40
23	1.0	1.0	1.13	1.0	1.0	1.23	1.17	1.14	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09
24	15.00	15.00	15.00	18.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
24	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	13.90	13.91	14.26	15.33
24	1.17	1.11	1.05	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.08	1.44	1.40	1.03
25	15.00	20.00	20.00	23.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
25	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.40	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40
25	1.0	1.23	1.17	1.25	1.18	1.23	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.23	1.17	1.09
26	12.00	15.00	15.00	18.00	15.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	13.00	16.00	20.00	20.00
26	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.00	16.00	17.11	18.40	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
26	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.17	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09	1.02	1.18	1.40	1.30
27	10.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	17.00	17.00	8.00	12.00	12.00	20.00
27	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	8.00	12.00	11.25	15.33
27	1.0	1.11	1.22	1.0	1.11	1.19	1.11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.07	1.30

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90040: Established Patient Office Visit: Brief Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery				Radiology			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
28	12.00	15.00	15.00	17.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	13.00	15.57	16.00	17.00
28	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
28	1.04	1.23	1.17	1.23	1.04	1.23	1.40	1.45	1.02	1.11	1.12	1.11

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90050: Established Patient Office Visit: Limited Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	12.80	15.00	16.00	19.00	10.00	13.50	18.00	20.00	13.50	15.00	17.50	19.00
01	12.80	15.00	16.00	18.00	10.00	13.50	15.00	18.00	13.50	15.00	17.11	18.00
01	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.0	1.0	1.00	1.0	1.0	1.02	1.06	
02	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	11.00	15.00	18.00	18.00	12.80	16.00	18.00	18.00
02	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	11.00	15.00	17.11	18.00	12.80	16.00	17.11	18.00
02	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0
03	14.50	16.00	17.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	16.00	18.00	20.00	21.00
03	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	16.00	16.96	17.83	19.16	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.40
03	1.13	1.18	1.19	1.17	1.13	1.18	1.12	1.04	1.05	1.11	1.17	1.14
04	12.00	15.00	16.00	18.00	14.00	15.00	17.50	20.00	13.00	15.00	17.00	19.00
04	12.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	18.40	13.00	15.00	17.00	18.40
04	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.13	1.0	1.0	1.09	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.03
05	15.00	15.00	16.50	20.00	15.00	17.50	20.00	20.00	16.00	18.00	20.00	20.00
05	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.40
05	1.17	1.11	1.16	1.30	1.17	1.29	1.40	1.30	1.05	1.11	1.17	1.09
06	15.00	17.00	18.00	20.00	15.00	17.00	18.00	20.00	17.00	19.50	22.00	23.00
06	13.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	13.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.40
06	1.15	1.25	1.26	1.30	1.15	1.25	1.26	1.30	1.11	1.20	1.29	1.25
07	15.00	16.00	18.00	20.00	16.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	16.00	17.50	20.00	20.00
07	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.40
07	1.17	1.18	1.26	1.30	1.25	1.11	1.26	1.30	1.05	1.07	1.17	1.09
08	14.00	17.75	19.20	19.20	10.00	12.50	15.00	16.50	15.00	18.00	20.00	22.00
08	14.00	15.20	15.97	17.17	10.00	12.50	15.00	16.50	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40
08	1.0	1.17	1.20	1.12	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.17	1.20
09	14.00	15.00	17.00	19.00	16.00	15.00	17.50	20.00	16.00	17.60	20.00	21.00
09	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.40
09	1.09	1.11	1.19	1.24	1.25	1.11	1.23	1.30	1.05	1.08	1.17	1.14

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90050: Established Patient Office Visit: Limited Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
10	13.00	16.00	18.00	18.00	13.00	16.00	18.00	20.00	12.00	18.00	18.00	20.00
10	13.00	14.93	15.69	16.00	13.00	14.93	15.69	16.86	12.00	14.93	15.69	16.86
10	1.0	1.07	1.15	1.13	1.0	1.07	1.15	1.19	1.0	1.21	1.15	1.19
11	13.50	16.50	18.00	20.00	15.00	19.00	20.00	20.00	14.00	16.50	18.00	20.00
11	13.50	14.93	15.69	16.86	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86
11	1.0	1.11	1.15	1.19	1.07	1.27	1.27	1.18	1.0	1.11	1.15	1.19
12	15.00	15.00	17.50	18.50	12.00	15.00	20.00	22.70	14.00	16.00	17.00	18.00
12	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86	12.00	14.93	15.69	16.86	14.00	16.00	16.00	18.00
12	1.07	1.0046	1.12	1.10	1.0	1.0046	1.27	1.35	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.0
13	14.00	16.00	18.00	18.00	15.00	16.00	21.00	23.00	16.00	16.00	21.00	25.00
13	14.00	16.00	17.11	18.00	15.00	16.00	17.11	18.40	15.30	16.00	17.11	18.40
13	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.25	1.05	1.0	1.17	1.36
14	19.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	17.00	19.50	20.00
14	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.40	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86
14	1.24	1.11	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.07	1.17	1.09	1.07	1.14	1.24	1.19
15	13.00	15.00	16.00	18.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	15.00	18.00	18.00	21.00
15	13.00	14.93	15.00	16.86	14.00	14.93	15.00	16.00	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86
15	1.0	1.0046	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.0046	1.07	1.06	1.07	1.21	1.15	1.25
16	12.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	19.00	20.00
16	12.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	15.00	16.96	17.83	19.16
16	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.06	1.07	1.04
17	13.00	15.00	15.00	18.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	18.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00
17	13.00	15.00	15.00	18.00	12.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	17.64	18.54	19.93
17	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.13	1.13	1.0 1	1.02	1.08	1.0035
18	15.00	16.00	18.00	20.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	22.00
18	15.00	16.00	17.83	19.16	15.00	15.00	15.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	22.00
18	1.0	1.0	10.95	1.04	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90050: Established Patient Office Visit: Limited Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
19	15.00	18.00	20.00	22.00	16.00	18.00	22.00	30.00	16.00	18.00	20.00	22.00
19	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	16.00	18.00	20.00	24.53	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.40
19	1.0	1.11	1.17	1.20	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.22	1.05	1.11	1.17	1.20
20	13.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	23.00
20	13.00	16.00	17.11	18.40	16.00	20.00	20.00	22.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	23.00
20	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.14	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
21	15.00	15.00	17.00	20.00	12.00	15.00	17.00	16.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
21	15.00	15.00	16.00	18.00	12.00	15.00	17.00	16.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
21	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
22	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	16.00	20.00	22.60	25.00	18.00	22.00	25.00	25.00
22	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	16.00	20.00	21.39	23.00	18.00	20.36	21.39	23.00
22	1.0	1.11	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.09	1.0	1.08	1.17	1.09
23	15.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	17.00	25.00	20.00	23.00	15.00	19.00	22.00	22.00
23	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86	16.60	17.64	18.54	19.93	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40
23	1.07	1.00	1.15	1.19	1.02	1.42	1.08	1.15	1.0	1.17	1.29	1.20
24	15.00	16.00	17.00	20.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	21.00
24	15.00	16.00	16.00	18.40	16.00	20.00	18.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
24	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05
25	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.00	18.00	22.00	18.00	20.00	25.00	25.00
25	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	19.10	18.00	18.00	22.00	18.00	20.00	21.39	23.00
25	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09
26	14.00	16.00	18.00	18.00	14.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	17.00	20.00	20.00	22.00
26	14.00	16.00	17.11	18.00	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.40
26	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.09	1.11	1.40	1.30	1.11	1.23	1.17	1.20
27	14.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	18.00	14.00	17.00	18.00	20.00
27	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86	12.00	14.93	15.00	16.86	14.00	17.00	18.00	20.00
27	1.0	1.07	1.27	1.19	1.0	1.00	1.0	1.07	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90050: Established Patient Office Visit: Limited Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
28	12.50	15.00	16.00	17.00	16.00	19.00	21.00	21.00	15.00	16.50	18.00	20.00
28	12.50	14.93	15.60	16.00	16.00	19.00	21.00	20.00	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86
28	1.0	1.00	1.03	1.06	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.07	1.11	1.15	1.19

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90050: Established Patient Office Visit: Limited Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery				Radiology			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	12.00	14.00	15.00	17.00	15.00	17.00	20.80	21.00	12.00	15.00	16.00	18.00
01	12.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	12.00	15.00	16.00	18.00
01	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.0	1.04	1.22	1.14	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
02	15.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	21.75	23.25	24.00	13.00	15.00	18.00	20.00
02	15.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	13.00	15.00	18.00	20.00
02	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.34	1.39	1.30	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
03	12.50	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00	18.00	23.00	25.00	13.50	15.00	18.00	20.00
03	12.50	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.40	13.50	15.00	18.00	20.00
03	1.0	1.11	1.12	1.11	1.18	1.11	1.34	1.36	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
04	10.00	13.00	15.00	16.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	21.00	12.50	15.00	18.00	19.50
04	10.00	13.00	15.00	16.00	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	12.50	15.00	18.00	19.50
04	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.17	1.14	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
05	15.00	17.00	20.00	23.00	20.00	20.00	22.00	23.40	15.00	15.00	18.00	17.50
05	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	16.00	16.96	17.83	19.16	15.00	15.00	18.00	17.50
05	1.0	1.04	1.17	1.25	1.25	1.18	1.23	1.22	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
06	15.00	16.00	19.00	20.00	16.00	20.00	22.00	22.00	16.00	15.00	18.00	20.00
06	13.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	16.00	18.32	19.25	20.70	16.00	15.00	18.00	20.00
06	1.15	1.18	1.33	1.30	1.0	1.09	1.14	1.06	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
07	14.00	15.00	15.00	18.00	16.00	16.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	16.00	22.00
07	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	18.20	15.00	16.00	21.85
07	1.09	1.11	1.05	1.17	1.25	1.18	1.26	1.30	1.10	1.0	1.0	1.00
08	15.00	17.00	21.00	22.00	10.00	16.00	20.80	22.10	12.00	15.00	18.00	20.00
08	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86	10.00	16.00	18.20	20.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	20.00
08	1.07	1.14	1.34	1.30	1.0	1.0	1.14	1.11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
09	15.00	15.00	18.00	19.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	17.60	17.50	18.00	19.00
09	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	17.60	17.50	18.00	19.00
09	1.17	1.11	1.26	1.24	1.17	1.33	1.40	1.30	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90050: Established Patient Office Visit: Limited Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery				Radiology			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
19	15.00	20.00	22.00	25.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	22.00	25.00
19	15.00	20.00	21.39	23.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	19.25	20.70
19	1.0	1.0	1.03	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.14	1.21
20	15.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	17.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	15.00	18.00	21.00	15.00
20	15.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	17.00	20.00	20.00	24.53	15.00	18.00	21.00	15.00
20	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.25	1.02	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
21	15.00	15.00	30.00	30.00	15.00	20.00	25.00	20.00	12.00	15.00	20.00	15.00
21	15.00	15.00	21.39	23.00	15.00	20.00	21.39	20.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	15.00
21	1.0	1.0	1.40	1.30	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.0
22	15.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00
22	15.00	20.00	20.00	23.00	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00	15.00	18.00	19.25	20.00
22	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09	1.05	1.23	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.04	1.0
23	16.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	16.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	18.00	22.00	22.00
23	16.00	20.36	21.39	22.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	18.00	19.25	20.00
23	1.0	1.08	1.03	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.25	1.25	1.0	1.0	1.14	1.10
24	20.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	23.00	15.00	22.00	22.00
24	19.10	20.00	21.39	23.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	23.00	19.10	15.00	21.39	22.00
24	1.05	1.0	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09	1.20	1.0	1.03	1.0
25	15.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	18.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	18.00	22.00	22.00
25	15.00	20.00	21.39	23.00	18.00	20.36	21.39	23.00	19.10	18.00	20.00	20.00
25	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.23	1.17	1.09	1.31	1.0	1.10	1.10
26	12.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	17.50	20.00	22.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00
26	12.00	14.05	14.97	16.10	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00
26	1.0	1.05	1.34	1.24	1.17	1.29	1.40	1.44	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
27	12.00	15.00	15.00	17.00	18.00	20.00	21.00	23.50	16.00	16.00	18.00	15.00
27	12.00	15.00	15.00	17.00	16.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	16.00	16.00	18.00	15.00
27	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.13	1.23	1.17	1.28	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90050: Established Patient Office Visit: Limited Examination

. Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery				Radiology			
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
10	15.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	21.10	13.50	15.00	18.00	20.00
10	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86	10.00	19.00	19.96	19.00	13.50	15.00	18.00	20.00
10	1.07	1.34	1.27	1.48	1.0	1.05	1.0020	1.11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
11	14.50	15.00	17.00	18.00	15.00	18.00	18.00	19.50	14.00	15.00	18.00	20.00
11	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86	14.00	15.00	18.00	20.00
11	1.04	1.0046	1.07	1.08	1.07	1.21	1.15	1.16	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
12	12.00	14.00	15.00	18.00	10.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	16.00
12	12.00	14.00	15.00	16.86	10.00	16.00	17.11	18.40	12.00	15.00	18.00	16.00
12	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.10	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
13	10.00	15.00	18.00	18.00	16.00	16.00	18.00	18.00	13.50	15.00	18.00	20.00
13	10.00	15.00	17.11	18.00	16.00	16.00	17.83	18.00	13.50	15.00	18.00	20.00
13	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.00	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
14	13.00	13.00	16.00	25.00	19.50	19.50	22.50	25.00	13.50	15.00	18.00	20.00
14	13.00	13.00	15.00	18.40	16.00	16.96	17.83	19.16	13.50	15.00	18.00	20.00
14	1.0	1.0	1.07	1.36	1.22	1.15	1.26	1.30	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
15	12.00	15.00	17.00	18.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	18.00	16.00	18.00	18.00	15.00
15	12.00	15.00	17.00	18.00	12.00	14.93	15.69	16.86	14.70	14.93	15.69	15.00
15	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0046	1.15	1.07	1.09	1.21	1.15	1.0
16	15.00	16.00	16.00	18.00	15.00	16.80	20.00	23.00	16.00	18.00	22.00	22.00
16	15.00	16.00	16.00	18.00	15.00	16.80	20.00	23.00	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.40
16	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.11	1.29	1.20
17	12.00	17.00	19.00	21.00	15.00	19.00	19.25	20.00	16.00	18.00	22.00	18.00
17	12.00	17.00	19.00	20.00	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	15.30	16.28	17.11	18.00
17	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.17	1.13	1.09	1.05	1.11	1.29	1.0
18	15.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	15.00	25.00	18.00	22.00
18	15.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	21.39	23.00	15.00	18.32	15.00	20.70
18	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.7	1.09	1.0	1.36	1.2	1.06

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90050: Established Patient Office Visit: Limited Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery				Radiology			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
28	15.00	16.00	18.00	20.00	15.00	19.00	20.00	21.00	16.00	21.00	23.00	25.00
28	15.00	16.00	17.11	18.40	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.86
28	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.09	1.0	1.17	1.17	1.14	1.14	1.41	1.47	1.48

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90060: Established Patient Office Visit: Intermediate Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	18.00	24.00	26.00	28.00	20.00	26.00	30.60	30.60	18.50	18.00	20.00	24.00
01	18.00	20.36	21.39	23.00	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00	18.50	18.00	18.00	22.00
01	1.0	1.18	1.22	1.22	1.05	1.28	1.43	1.33	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.09
02	17.00	20.00	21.00	21.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	18.00	18.00
02	17.00	20.00	21.00	21.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.0	20.00	18.00	18.00
02	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
03	16.00	18.00	20.00	22.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	21.00	25.00	26.00
03	16.00	18.00	20.00	22.00	20.00	21.71	22.82	24.53	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00
03	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.15	1.10	1.02	1.05	1.03	1.17	1.13
04	16.00	17.50	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	17.50	20.00	20.00
04	16.00	17.50	20.00	20.00	19.10	15.00	18.00	18.00	15.00	17.50	20.00	20.00
04	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.11	1.11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
05	15.50	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.00	20.00	20.50	25.00
05	15.50	18.00	20.00	20.00	19.10	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.00	20.00	21.39	23.00
05	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.09
06	16.00	18.00	20.00	25.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.00	17.50	19.00	22.50	25.00
06	16.00	18.00	19.00	23.00	19.10	20.00	20.00	20.00	17.50	19.00	21.00	23.00
06	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.09	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.10	1.0	1.0	1.07	1.09
07	16.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	17.50	20.00	22.00	25.00
07	16.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	19.10	20.00	21.39	23.00	17.50	20.00	21.00	23.00
07	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.09
08	18.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	17.50	21.00	28.00	28.00
08	18.00	20.00	21.39	23.00	19.10	20.00	21.39	23.00	17.50	20.36	21.39	23.00
08	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09	1.05	1.0	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.03	1.31	1.23
09	15.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	22.50	20.00	15.00	17.50	20.00	22.00
09	15.00	16.00	18.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	17.50	18.50	22.00
09	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.13	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.08	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90060: Established Patient Office Visit: Intermediate Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
10	18.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	22.00	18.00	18 00	20.00	25.00
10	18.00	20.00	21.39	23.00	16.00	20.00	15.00	16.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	23.00
10	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.33	1.38	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09
11	18.00	24.00	25.00	28.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	30.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	25.00
11	18.00	20.36	21.39	23.00	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00	19.10	20.00	21.39	23.00
11	1.0	1.18	1.17	1.22	1.05	1.23	1.17	1.30	1.05	1.0	1.17	1.09
12	16.00	20.00	25.00	23.00	18.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
12	16.00	20.00	21.39	22.00	18.00	20.36	21.39	23.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
12	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.05	1.0	1.23	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
13	20.00	20.50	20.00	25.00	20.00	22.00	20.00	37.50	24.00	22.00	20.00	20.00
13	16.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	17.30	17.33	15.00	18.40	16.00	16.96	17.83	19.16
13	1.25	1.26	1.17	1.36	1.16	1.27	1.33	2.04	1.5	1.30	1.12	1.04
14	19.60	24.00	25.00	28.00	20.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	20.00	22.00	22.00	26.40
14	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00	20.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	20.00	21.71	22.00	24.53
14	1.03	1.18	1.17	1.23	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.01	1.0	1.08
15	19.00	24.00	23.00	20.00	20.00	23.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	19.00	25.00
15	19.00	21.71	20.00	20.00	20.00	21.71	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	19.00	21.00
15	1.0	1.11	1.15	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.19
16	16.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	24.00	24.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	22.00
16	16.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	24.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	22.00
16	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
17	16.00	18.00	20.00	22.00	16.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	18.00	22.00	24.00	25.00
17	16.00	18.00	17.00	20.00	16.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	18.00	22.00	24.00	25.00
17	1.0	1.0	1.18	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
18	16.00	18.00	20.00	25.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	16.00	22.00	25.00	28.00
18	16.00	18.00	20.00	22.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	16.00	20.36	21.39	23.00
18	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.14	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.25	1.0	1.08	1.17	1.22

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90060: Established Patient Office Visit: Intermediate Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery							
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
19	15.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	14.00	17.00	20.00	20.00				
19	15.00	20.00	24.24	25.00	14.00	17.00	20.00	20.00				
19	1.0	1.0	1.03	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0				
20	16.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	18.00	20.00	25.00	25.00				
20	16.00	20.00	20.00	23.00	18.00	20.00	21.39	23.00				
20	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09				
21	15.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	22.00				
21	15.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00				
21	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1				
22	20.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	30.00				
22	20.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	19.10	20.00	21.39	23.00				
22	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.17	1.30				
23	18.00	20.00	20.00	22.00	20.00	22.00	25.00	25.00				
23	18.00	20.00	20.00	22.00	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00				
23	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.08	1.17	1.09				
24	17.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	25.00	35.00	35.00				
24	17.00	20.00	21.39	23.00	19.90	20.36	21.39	23.00				
24	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09	1.0050	1.23	1.64	1.52				
25	20.00	23.00	25.00	30.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	30.00				
25	20.00	23.00	25.00	30.00	25.00	27.14	28.52	30.00				
25	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.0				
26	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	22.00				
26	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	21.00				
26	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0				
27	21.00	26.00	27.00	25.00	16.00	20.00	25.00	25.00				
27	20.40	21.71	22.82	24.53	16.00	20.00	21.39	23.00				
27	1.03	1.20	1.18	1.02	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09				

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90060: Established Patient Office Visit: Intermediate Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
28	20.00	20.00	25,00	21.00	20,00	23,00	26,00	24,00	18,50	20,50	25.00	27,00
28	20.00	20,00	21,00	21.00	20,00	21,71	22,82	24,00	18,50	20,50	23,00	26.00
28	1.0	1.0	1.19	1,0	1,0	1,06	1,14	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,09	1,04

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90070: Established Patient Office Visit: Extended Re-examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	27.00	30.00	35.00	35,00	22.50	28.00	30,00	34.80	26,00	27,00	30.00	32.00
01	26.80	28.50	29.95	32,19	22.50	28,00	28.00	32.19	26,00	27.00	30,00	32,00
01	1.01	1.05	1.17	1.09	1.0	1,0	1,07	1,08	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
02	24.00	30.00	32.00	32.00	27.00	30,00	36.00	50.00	25,00	25.00	35.00	35,00
02	24.00	28,50	29.95	30.00	26,80	28.50	29.95	32,19	25,00	25,00	32.09	34.49
02	1.0	1.05	1.07	1.07	1.00	1.05	1,20	1.55	1,0	1.0	1,09	1.01
03	25.00	25.00	27.50	30.00	30.00	33.00	37.00	40,00	35.00	35.00	40,00	45.00
03	25.00	25.00	27.50	30.00	30.00	33,00	35,00	38.33	31,90	33,93	35.65	38,33
03	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1,06	1,04	1,10	1,03	1,12	1.17
04	25.00	30.00	30.50	35.00	25.00	21.00	32.00	25,00	18.00	22,00	30,00	30.00
04	25.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	25.00	21,00	30.00	25.00	18,00	22,00	30.00	30,00
04	1.0	1.0	1.02	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.07	1.0	1,0	1.0	1,0	1.0
05	22.50	27.00	36.00	30.00	25.00	25.00	35.00	35.00	30,00	30.00	35.00	35.00
05	22.50	27.00	30.00	28.00	25.00	25.00	30,00	35.00	30,00	30.00	33,00	35.00
05	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.07	1.0	1.0	1.17	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,06	1.0
06	18.00	26.00	30.00	35.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	39.00	40,00	40.00
06	18.00	26,00	30.00	34.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	33.93	35.65	38,33
06	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.03	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.15	1,12	1.04
07	22.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	26.00	30.00	35.00	38.50	25.00	25.00	35.00	35.00
07	22.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	26.00	30.00	32,80	35.00	25.00	25.00	32.80	35.00
07	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.07	1.10	1.0	1.0	1.07	1.0
08	29.75	30.00	34.80	36.25	30.00	25.00	27.00	30.00	27,00	30.00	35.00	35.00
08	26.80	28.50	29.95	32.19	27.75	25.00	20.00	30.00	27.00	30.00	35,00	34.80
08	1.11	1.05	1.16	1.13	1.08	1.0	1.35	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.00
09	20.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	30.00	25.00	25,00	30,00	30.00
09	20.00	25.00	27.00	30.00	25,00	25,00	25.00	30.00	25,00	25.00	29.95	28,00
09	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1,0	1.0	1.00	1,07

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90070: Established Patient Office Visit: Extended Re-examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
10	25.00	28.00	30.00	36.00	20.00	28.00	35.00	33.00	30.00	36.00	39.00	37.50
10	25.00	28.00	29.95	32.00	20.00	28.00	29.95	32.19	30.00	33.93	35.65	37.50
10	1.0	1.0	1.00	1.13	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.03	1.0	1.06	1.09	1.0
11	27.00	36.00	38.00	37.50	30.00	36.00	39.00	42.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	40.00
11	26.80	28.50	29.95	32.19	26.80	28.50	29.95	32.19	26.80	28.50	29.95	32.19
11	1.00	1.26	1.27	1.16	1.12	1.26	1.26	1.30	1.2	1.05	1.0016	1.24
12	25.00	25.00	25.00	35.00	27.00	35.00	40.00	35.00	26.00	35.00	37.00	38.75
12	25.00	25.00	25.00	30.66	25.50	27.14	28.52	30.66	26.00	28.50	29.95	32.19
12	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.14	1.06	1.29	1.40	1.14	1.0	1.23	1.24	1.20
13	27.00	31.50	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	48.00	45.00	25.00	30.00	35.00	36.00
13	25.50	27.14	28.52	30.00	26.80	28.50	29.95	32.19	25.00	27.14	28.52	30.00
13	1.06	1.16	1.05	1.0	1.12	1.05	1.60	1.40	1.0	1.11	1.23	1.2
14	30.00	39.00	39.00	39.00	30.00	36.00	38.00	45.00	28.00	34.00	36.00	39.60
14	30.00	32.57	34.22	36.79	30.00	33.93	35.65	38.33	28.00	32.57	34.22	36.79
14	1.0	1.20	1.14	1.06	1.0	1.06	1.07	1.17	1.0	1.04	1.05	1.07
15	25.00	30.00	36.00	30.00	30.00	40.00	35.00	30.00	36.00	45.00	50.00	38.00
15	25.00	30.00	36.00	30.00	30.00	33.93	30.00	30.00	36.00	40.71	42.78	38.00
15	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.8	1.17	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.17	1.0
16	24.00	25.00	25.00	30.00	27.00	35.00	40.00	35.00	24.00	33.00	35.00	35.00
16	24.00	25.00	25.00	30.00	27.00	31.21	32.80	35.00	24.00	33.00	33.00	35.00
16	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.12	1.22	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.0
17	24.00	30.00	28.00	28.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	35.00	24.00	20.00	20.00	25.00
17	24.00	30.00	28.00	25.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	32.19	24.00	20.00	20.00	25.00
17	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
18	24.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	20.00	26.00	30.00	35.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
18	24.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	20.00	26.00	30.00	30.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
18	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90070: Established Patient Office Visit: Extended Re-examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
19	35.00	25.00	35.00	35.00	25.00	30.00	35.00	45.00	26.25	30.00	35.00	35.00
19	35.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	25.00	30.00	35.00	40.00	26.25	30.00	35.00	35.00
19	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.17	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.13	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
20	25.00	26.00	30.00	35.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	25.00	30.00	30.00
20	25.00	26.00	30.00	30.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	30.00
20	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.0
21	25.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	26.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	25.00	30.00	32.00
21	25.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	26.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	25.00	30.00	30.00
21	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.07
22	22.50	20.00	40.00	25.00	20.00	35.00	35.00	40.00	30.00	30.00	35.00	35.00
22	22.50	20.00	40.00	25.00	20.00	33.93	35.00	38.33	30.00	30.00	35.00	35.00
22	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.03	1.0	1.04	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
23	25.00	30.00	30.00	35.00	25.00	40.00	22.00	30.00	26.00	30.00	30.00	45.00
23	25.00	30.00	30.00	35.00	25.00	33.93	22.00	30.00	26.00	30.00	30.00	35.00
23	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.18	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.29
24	25.00	25.00	30.00	40.00	25.00	30.00	32.00	40.00	25.00	35.00	35.00	40.00
24	25.00	25.00	30.00	30.50	25.00	30.00	32.00	35.00	25.00	33.93	35.00	38.33
24	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.31	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.14	1.0	1.03	1.0	1.04
25	25.00	25.00	30.00	27.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	35.00	20.00	25.00	30.00	35.00
25	25.00	25.00	27.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	35.00	20.00	25.00	30.00	30.00
25	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.08	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.17
26	25.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	20.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	25.50	25.50	25.00	30.00
26	25.00	25.00	25.00	30.00	20.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	25.50	25.50	25.00	30.00
26	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
27	24.00	25.00	27.00	30.00	20.00	30.00	34.80	35.00	25.00	30.00	34.00	35.00
27	24.00	25.00	25.00	26.00	20.00	30.00	34.80	30.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	35.00
27	1.0	1.0	1.08	1.15	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.0	1.0	1.33	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90070: Established Patient Office Visit: Extended Re-examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
28	30.00	35.00	40.00	37.00	30.00	36.00	40.00	36.00	30.00	30.75	35.00	40.00
28	30.00	35.00	37.00	35.00	30.00	33.93	35.65	35.00	30.00	30.75	35.00	38.00
28	1.0	1.0	1.08	1.06	1.0	1.06	1.12	1.03	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90060: Established Patient Office Visit: Intermediate Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery							
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	15.00	16.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	22.00	27.00	27.50				
01	15.00	16.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	20.36	21.39	23.00				
01	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.08	1.26	1.20				
02	18.00	18.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	18.00	15.00	25.00				
02	18.00	18.00	21.39	23.00	20.00	18.00	15.00	24.53				
02	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.02				
03	16.00	17.50	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	26.00	27.50				
03	16.00	17.50	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.82	24.53				
03	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.14	1.12				
04	16.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	26.00	30.00				
04	16.00	18.00	17.00	20.00	20.00	21.71	22.82	24.53				
04	1.0	1.0	1.8	1.0	1.0	1.15	1.14	1.22				
05	20.00	20.00	22.00	25.00	20.00	22.75	25.00	30.00				
05	19.10	20.00	20.00	23.00	20.00	22.75	25.00	25.00				
05	1.05	1.0	1.10	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2				
06	20.00	20.00	25.00	30.00	20.00	22.00	26.00	26.00				
06	19.10	20.00	21.39	23.00	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00				
06	1.05	1.0	1.17	1.30	1.05	1.08	1.22	1.13				
07	16.00	17.50	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	23.00	26.00				
07	16.00	17.50	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.82	24.53				
07	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0078	1.06				
08	20.00	26.00	26.00	27.00	20.00	22.50	27.00	30.50				
08	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00	20.00	21.71	22.82	24.53				
08	1.05	1.28	1.22	1.17	1.0	1.04	1.18	1.24				
09	16.00	20.00	23.00	23.00	22.00	24.00	25.00	25.00				
09	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00				
09	1.0	1.0	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.18	1.17	1.09				

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90060: Established Patient Office Visit: Intermediate Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery							
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
10	18.00	24,00	24,00	20.00	15,80	20,00	23.00	25.00				
10	18.00	20,36	21,39	20.00	15,80	20,00	20.00	24,53				
10	1,0	1,18	1.12	1,0	1.0	1,0	1.15	1,02				
11	17,50	20,00	21,00	24.00	20,00	26,00	26.00	26,00				
11	17.50	20,00	20,00	23,00	20.00	21,71	22,82	24,53				
	1,0	1,0	1,05	1,04	1,0	1,20	1,14	1,06				
12	15,50	18,00	18.00	23.00	16,50	12,00	25,00	22,75				
12	15,50	18,00	18.00	22,00	16,50	12,00	21,39	22,00				
12	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,05	1,0	1,0	1,17	1.03				
13	18.00	18,00	22,00	24,00	20.00	22,50	22,75	26,00				
13	17.90	18.00	19,96	21,46	20.00	21,71	22,00	24.53				
13	1.00	1.0	1.0	1,12	1,0	1,04	1.03	1,06				
14	16,00	18.00	20.00	20,00	26,00	22,50	27,90	32,50				
14	16.00	18.00	18,00	20.00	20.40	21,71	22.82	24,53				
14	1,0	1.0	1.11	1,0	1,27	1,04	1.22	1,32				
15	15,00	15,00	20.00	20.00	16,60	22,00	30,00	15,00				
15	15,00	15,00	20,00	20,00	16.60	20,36	21,39	15,00				
15	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,08	1,40	1,0				
16	17,00	18,00	20.00	20,00	15,00	20,00	22,00	26,00				
16	17,00	18.00	20.00	20,00	15,00	20.00	21.39	23,00				
16	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,03	1,13				
17	17,50	20.00	24,00	24,00	20,00	20,00	20,00	20,00				
17	17,50	20.00	20.00	23.00	19.90	20,00	20.00	20,00				
17	1,0	1.0	1.2	1.04	1,0050	1,0	1,0	1,0				
18	18,00	20.00	20.00	20,00	20.00	24,00	24,00	27,00				
18	18,00	20.00	20,00	20,00	19.10	20.36	21,39	23.00				
18	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1,05	1,18	1.12	1.17				

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90060: Established Patient Office Visit: Intermediate Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery							
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
19	15.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	14.00	17.00	20.00	20.00				
19	15.00	20.00	24.24	25.00	14.00	17.00	20.00	20.00				
19	1.0	1.0	1.03	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0				
20	16.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	18.00	20.00	25.00	25.00				
20	16.00	20.00	20.00	23.00	18.00	20.00	21.39	23.00				
20	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09				
21	15.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	22.00				
21	15.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00				
21	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1				
22	20.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	30.00				
22	20.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	19.10	20.00	21.39	23.00				
22	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.17	1.30				
23	18.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	20.00	22.00	25.00	25.00				
23	18.00	20.00	20.00	22.00	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00				
23	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.08	1.17	1.09				
24	17.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	25.00	35.00	35.00				
24	17.00	20.00	21.39	23.00	19.90	20.36	21.39	23.00				
24	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09	1.0050	1.23	1.64	1.52				
25	20.00	23.00	25.00	30.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	30.00				
25	20.00		25.00	30.00	25.00	27.14	28.52	30.00				
25	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.0				
26	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	22.00				
26	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	21.00				
26	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0				
27	21.00	26.00	27.00	25.00	16.00	20.00	25.00	25.00				
27	20.40	21.71	22.82	24.53	16.00	20.00	21.39	23.00				
27	1.03	1.20	1.18	1.02	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09				

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90060: Established Patient Office Visit: Intermediate Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	Ophthalmology				Orthopedic Surgery							
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
28	17.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	20.00	21.00	24.00	25.00				
28	17.00	20.00	20.00	23.00	20.00	21.00	22.00	25.00				
28	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.09	1.0				

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90240: Hospital Visit: Brief Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ra o of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	10.00	15,00	15.00	15.50	12,00	14.00	17.60	17,00	12.00	15.00	15.00	18.00
01	10.00	13.57	14.26	15.00	12.00	13,57	14,26	15.33	12,00	13,57	14,26	15.33
01	1.0	1.11	1,05	1.03	1.0	1.03	1,23	1,11	1.0	1.11	1,05	1.17
02	11.00	13.75	15.00	15.00	11.00	13,75	15.00	15,00	12,50	12.00	14.00	15.00
02	11.00	13.57	14.26	15.00	11.00	13.57	14,26	15,00	12.50	12,00	13.50	15.00
02	1.0	1,01	1.05	1,0	1,0	1.01	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.0	1,04	1.0
03	11.00	15,00	15.00	15.00	17.50	18.00	18.00	18.00	15.00	16,00	16.00	18.00
03	11.00	15.00	15.00	15,00	15.30	16.28	17,11	15.00	15,00	16.00	16.00	18.00
03	1.0	1.0	1.0	1,0	1,14	1.11	1,05	1,2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
04	12.50	15.00	17,00	17.50	12.00	15,00	15.00	16.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
04	12.50	13.57	14,26	15.33	12.00	13.57	14,26	15.00	12.00	15,00	15.00	15.00
04	1.0	1.11	1.19	1.14	1,0	1.11	1.05	1.07	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
05	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	18.00	20,00	20.00	15.00	15,00	16,00	17.50
05	12.80	13.57	14.26	15,00	12.80	13,57	14.26	15.33	15.00	15.00	16.00	17.00
05	1.17	1.11	1.05	1,0	1.17	1,32	1,40	1.30	1,0	1,0	1.0	1.03
06	15.00	17.00	20.00	22.00	18.00	18.00	20,00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
06	15.00	16.28	17,11	18,40	15.30	16.28	17.11	18,40	15,00	20.00	20.00	20.00
06	1.0	1.04	1.17	1,20	1.18	1.11	1,17	1,09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
07	15.00	17.50	18.00	20.00	15.00	15.00	17.90	20.00	15.00	16.00	20,00	21.00
07	12.80	13.57	14.26	15,33	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	15.00	16.00	17.11	18.40
07	1.17	1.29	1.26	1,30	1.17	1,11	1.26	1.30	1.0	1.0	;.17	1.14
08	10.00	12.50	15.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	17,00	17.00	9.50	17.50	21.00	17.00
08	10.00	12.50	14.26	15.00	12,00	13.57	14.26	15.33	9.50	13.57	14.26	15.33
08	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.19	1.11	1.0	1.29	1.47	1,11
09	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	12,00	14.00	16.00	18.00	15.00	20.00	20,00	24.00
09	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.00	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	15,00	20.00	20.00	22.50
09	1.17	1.11	1.05	1.07	1.0	1,03	1.12	1.17	1.0	1.0	1,0	1.07

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90240: Hospital Visit: Brief Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
10	10.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	13.75	14.00	16.00	16.00
10	10.00	12.00	12.83	13.80	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
10	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.09	1.04	1.23	1.56	1.45	1.07	1.03	1.12	1.04
11	9.00	12.00	12.50	14.00	10.00	12.50	13.00	15.00	14.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
11	9.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.00	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26
11	1.0	1.10	1.10	1.14	1.0	1.15	1.14	1.22	1.37	1.38	1.31	1.22
12	10.80	13.50	16.00	16.50	10.00	15.00	15.00	14.00	10.00	12.50	13.00	13.00
12	10.80	13.50	14.26	15.33	10.00	13.57	14.26	14.00	10.00	12.50	13.00	13.00
12	1.0	1.0	1.12	1.08	1.0	1.11	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
13	12.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	17.00	20.00	21.00
13	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	10.20	10.86	11.41	12.26	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80
13	1.18	1.38	1.31	1.22	1.18	1.38	1.31	1.22	1.04	1.39	1.56	1.52
14	10.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	10.00	12.50	20.00	20.00	12.50	18.00	17.00	17.00
14	10.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	10.00	12.50	14.26	15.33	12.50	13.57	14.26	15.33
14	1.0	1.03	1.05	1.04	1.0	1.0	1.40	1.30	1.0	1.33	1.19	1.11
15	12.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	12.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	15.00	17.00	15.00	20.00
15	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.20	15.00	16.28	15.00	16.00
15	1.0	1.11	1.26	1.30	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.05	1.0	1.04	1.0	1.25
16	12.00	15.00	18.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	18.00	18.00	15.00	15.75	18.00	18.00
16	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.00	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
16	1.0	1.11	1.26	1.07	1.17	1.11	1.26	1.17	1.17	1.16	1.26	1.17
17	12.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	15.00	16.00	20.00	19.00	13.00	15.00	15.00	20.00
17	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	13.00	15.00	15.00	18.40
17	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.04	1.17	1.18	1.40	1.24	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09
18	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
18	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
18	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90240: Hospital Visit: Brief Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
19	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	18.00	17.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
19	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.00	17.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
19	1.0	1.23	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.11	1.17	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.0
20	17.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
20	17.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.10	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.10	20.00	20.00	20.00
20	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.0
21	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	17.00	20.00	18.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
21	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	16.28	17.11	15.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
21	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.04	1.17	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
22	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	16.50	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.50	22.50	20.00
22	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	16.50	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.50	20.00	20.00
22	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.13	1.00
23	15.00	17.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.00	20.00	20.00
23	15.00	17.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.10	18.00	20.00	20.00
23	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.0
24	15.00	18.00	20.00	15.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
24	15.00	18.00	20.00	15.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
24	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
25	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.00	20.00
25	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
25	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
26	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
26	16.00	17.64	18.54	19.93	15.00	16.28	17.11	18.40	19.10	20.00	20.00	20.00
26	1.0	1.13	1.08	1.00	1.0	1.23	1.17	1.09	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.0
27	12.00	15.00	20.00	16.00	10.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	12.00	13.00	16.00	17.00
27	12.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	10.00	13.57	14.26	15.33	12.00	13.00	16.00	17.00
27	1.0	1.11	1.40	1.04	1.0	1.11	1.40	1.30	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 90240: Hospital Visit: Brief Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
28	15.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	13.00	15.00	18.00	20.00	12.00	15.75	17.00	18.00
28	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33	13.00	14.93	15.69	16.86	12.00	15.75	15.00	17.00
28	1.17	1.11	1.40	1.30	1.0	1.00	1.15	1.19	1.0	1.0	1.13	1.06

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 92000: Eye Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Ophthalmology 1977	Ophthalmology 1978	Ophthalmology 1979	Ophthalmology 1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	30.00	32.00	35.00	38.00								
01	30.00	32.00	35.00	38.00								
01	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0								
02	30.00	30.00	30.00	35.00								
02	30.00	30.00	30.00	34.00								
02	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.03								
03	35.00	38.00	40.00	40.00								
03	31.90	33.93	35.65	38.33								
03	1.10	1.12	1.12	1.04								
04	30.00	30.00	34.00	37.00								
04	30.00	30.00	32.00	37.00								
04	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.0								
05	35.00	40.00	50.00	45.00								
05	35.00	40.00	42.78	45.00								
05	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.0								
06	32.00	35.00	38.00	50.00								
06	32.00	35.00	36.00	45.00								
06	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.11								
07	35.00	35.00	40.00	40.00								
07	31.90	33.93	35.65	38.33								
07	1.10	1.03	1.12	1.04								
08	35.00	42.00	45.00	45.00								
08	35.00	38.00	39.93	42.92								
08	1.0	1.11	1.33	1.05								
09	30.00	35.00	38.00	40.00								
09	30.00	33.93	35.65	38.33								
09	1.0	1.03	1.07	1.04								

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 92000: Eye Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Ophthalmology											
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
10	32.00	36.00	40.00	40.00								
10	32.00	36.00	40.00	40.00								
10	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0								
11	35.00	40.00	42.00	44.00								
11	35.00	38.00	39.93	42.92								
11	1.0	1.05	1.05	1.03								
12	31.00	36.00	40.00	42.00								
12	31.00	33.93	35.65	38.33								
12	1.0	1.06	1.12	1.10								
13	25.00	30.00	36.75	45.50								
13	25.00	27.14	28.52	30.66								
13	1.0	1.11	1.29	1.48								
14	36.00	40.00	40.00	40.00								
14	25.50	27.14	28.52	30.66								
14	1.41	1.47	1.40	1.31								
15	25.00	28.00	30.40	35.00								
15	25.00	28.00	30.40	34.00								
15	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.03								
16	29.80	33.60	35.00	40.00								
16	29.80	33.60	35.00	38.40								
16	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.04								
17	28.00	33.60	36.00	36.00								
17	28.00	33.60	34.00	36.00								
17	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.0								
18	32.00	35.00	36.00	37.60								
18	32.00	35.00	36.00	37.60								
18	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0								

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 92000: Eye Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	Ophthalmology											
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
19	32.00	36.00	38.00	45.00								
19	32.00	35.62	37.43	40.24								
19	1.0	1.01	1.02	1.12								
20	32.00	36.00	40.00	40.00								
20	32.00	36.00	38.40	40.00								
20	1.0	1.0	1.04	1.0								
21	35.00	40.00	40.00	35.00								
21	35.00	38.00	38.40	35.00								
21	1.0	1.05	1.04	1.0								
22	40.00	40.00	50.00	50.00								
22	38.30	40.00	40.00	45.00								
22	1.04	1.0	1.25	1.11								
23	35.00	36.00	40.00	50.00								
23	35.00	36.00	39.93	42.92								
23	1.0	1.0	1.00	1.17								
24	35.00	40.00	40.00	45.00								
24	35.00	40.00	40.00	40.00								
24	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0								
25	32.00	36.00	40.00	45.00								
25	32.00	36.00	40.00	45.00								
25	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0								
26	30.00	32.00	36.00	40.00								
26	30.00	32.00	35.00	38.33								
26	1.0	1.0	1.03	1.04								
27	32.00	36.00	40.00	40.00								
27	32.00	36.00	36.00	38.40								
27	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.04								

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 92000: Eye Examination

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Ophthalmology											
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
28	30.00	32.00	35.00	40.00								
28	30.00	32.00	33.60	40.00								
28	1.0	1.0	1.04	1.0								

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 20610: Arthorcentesis: Major Joint or Bursa

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	24.00	28.80	35.00	36.80	24.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	25.00	29.50	26.00	30.00
01	23.00	24.43	25.67	27.59	24.00	27.14	28.52	30.00	18.75	19.00	19.96	21.46
01	1.04	1.18	1.36	1.33	1.0	1.11	1.05	1.0	1.33	1.55	1.30	1.40
02	24.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	24.00	30.00	32.00	32.00	25.00	29.50	25.00	33.00
02	23.00	24.43	25.67	27.00	24.00	27.14	28.52	30.66	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00
02	1.04	1.15	1.09	1.04	1.0	1.11	1.12	1.04	1.31	1.45	1.17	1.43
03	25.00	33.00	33.00	30.00	27.60	30.00	30.00	32.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	28.00
03	23.00	24.43	25.67	27.59	26.80	28.50	29.95	32.00	25.00	28.50	29.95	25.00
03	1.09	1.35	1.29	1.09	1.03	1.05	1.00	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.00	1.12
04	24.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	35.00	30.00	36.00	35.00	23.00	28.00	32.00	36.00
04	22.10	23.48	24.67	26.52	23.00	24.43	25.67	27.59	23.00	25.00	32.00	36.00
04	1.09	1.06	1.22	1.13	1.52	1.23	1.40	1.27	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
05	25.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	26.00	30.00	35.00	35.00	20.00	25.00	30.00	32.50
05	24.20	25.78	27.09	29.13	26.00	28.50	29.95	32.19	20.00	24.00	24.00	24.00
05	1.03	1.16	1.11	1.03	1.0	1.05	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.04	1.25	1.35
06	27.00	28.00	35.00	35.00	24.00	30.00	34.00	25.00	22.00	24.00	26.00	27.00
06	24.00	24.43	25.67	27.59	24.00	27.14	28.52	25.00	22.00	24.00	26.00	26.00
06	1.13	1.15	1.36	1.27	1.0	1.11	1.19	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.04
07	27.00	28.00	30.00	30.00	24.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	25.00	28.00	30.00	30.00
07	23.00	24.43	25.67	27.59	22.20	23.61	24.81	26.67	22.30	23.75	24.96	26.03
07	1.17	1.15	1.17	1.09	1.08	1.06	1.21	1.12	1.12	1.18	1.20	1.12
08	23.00	27.60	30.00	30.00	24.00	30.00	34.00	30.00	20.00	29.50	32.00	33.00
08	17.90	19.00	19.96	21.46	18.50	19.68	20.68	22.23	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00
08	1.29	1.45	1.50	1.40	1.30	1.52	1.64	1.35	1.05	1.45	1.50	1.43
09	27.00	36.00	39.00	36.00	27.00	30.00	35.00	35.00	25.00	30.00	33.00	33.00
09	25.50	27.14	28.52	30.66	27.00	30.00	35.00	35.00	24.00	24.43	25.67	27.59
09	1.06	1.33	1.37	1.17	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.04	1.23	1.29	1.20

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 20610: Arthrocentesis: Major Joint or Bursa

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
10	24.00	36.00	33.60	30.00	27.00	30.00	34.00	35.00	25.00	29.50	32.00	33.00
10	21.10	22.39	23.53	25.29	25.50	27.14	28.52	30.66	23.55	21.00	21.39	23.00
10	1.14	1.61	1.43	1.19	1.06	1.11	1.19	1.14	1.06	1.40	1.50	1.43
11	24.00	30.00	36.00	30.00	25.00	25.00	33.00	40.00	30.00	29.50	32.00	26.00
11	18.00	19.00	19.96	21.46	23.00	24.43	25.67	27.59	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00
11	1.33	1.58	1.80	1.40	1.09	1.02	1.29	1.45	1.57	1.45	1.50	1.13
12	25.00	29.00	29.00	32.00	29.00	30.00	34.00	35.00	24.00	25.00	25.00	26.25
12	20.40	21.71	22.82	24.53	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00	19.10	20.36	21.39	23.00
12	1.23	1.34	1.27	1.30	1.51	1.47	1.59	1.52	1.26	1.23	1.17	1.14
13	20.00	30.00	31.50	31.50	25.00	30.00	34.00	35.00	25.00	29.50	32.00	33.00
13	18.00	19.00	19.96	21.46	25.00	27.14	28.52	30.66	19.50	20.36	21.39	23.00
13	1.11	1.58	1.58	1.47	1.0	1.11	1.19	1.14	1.28	1.45	1.50	1.43
14	30.00	30.00	36.00	36.00	30.00	37.50	30.00	35.00	28.50	33.75	33.75	33.75
14	23.00	24.43	25.67	27.59	6.80	28.50	29.95	32.19	21.00	21.00	21.39	23.00
14	1.30	1.23	1.40	1.30	1.12	1.32	1.00	1.09	1.36	1.61	1.58	1.47
15	25.00	26.00	30.00	33.00	24.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	24.00	27.00	25.00	30.00
15	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.53	24.00	24.43	25.67	25.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00
15	1.04	1.08	1.25	1.35	1.0	1.02	1.16	1.2	1.0	1.13	1.04	1.25
16	24.00	24.00	32.00	32.00	30.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	25.00	28.50	31.25	35.00
16	23.00	24.00	25.67	27.59	30.00	33.93	35.00	35.00	21.00	21.00	21.39	23.00
16	1.04	1.0	1.25	1.16	1.0	1.03	1.0	1.0	1.19	1.36	1.46	1.52
17	24.00	30.00	30.00	33.00	30.00	36.00	45.00	50.00	26.00	28.50	28.50	30.00
17	23.00	24.43	25.67	27.59	30.00	33.93	35.65	38.33	26.00	28.50	28.50	30.00
17	1.04	1.23	1.17	1.20	1.0	1.06	1.26	1.30	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
18	30.00	35.00	30.00	35.00	25.00	40.00	30.00	35.00	30.00	35.00	36.00	36.00
18	24.20	25.78	27.09	29.13	25.00	33.93	30.00	35.00	20.00	20.36	21.39	23.00
18	1.24	1.36	1.11	1.20	1.0	1.18	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.72	1.68	1.57

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 20610: Arthrocentesis: Major Joint or Bursa

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
19	27.00	30.00	31,00	36.00	25.00	30.00	42.00	26.50	25,00	30.00	30,00	30.00
19	26.80	28.50	29.95	32,19	25,00	30.00	34.22	26.25	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
19	1.01	1.05	1,04	1.12	1.0	1.0	1.23	1,0	1,0	1,2	1.2	1,2
20	30.00	35.00	40.00	40,00	30.00	35,00	35.00	35.00	25.00	25.00	30.00	30.00
20	25.50	27.14	28,52	30.66	30.00	33.93	35.00	35,00	25,00	25.00	25.00	25.00
20	1.18	1.29	1.40	1.30	1.0	1,03	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.2
21	30.00	30.00	30,00	36.00	33.00	35,00	35.00	35.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	40.00
21	25.00	25.00	25.67	27.59	25,50	27,14	28,52	30.66	25.00	25.00	25.67	27,59
21	1.2	1,2	1,17	1.30	1.29	1,29	1.23	1.14	1,0	1,2	1.17	1.45
22	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	35.00	32.00	35.00	36,00	36.00	36.00	40.00
22	23.00	24.43	25.00	25.00	25,00	33.00	30.00	35,00	25.50	27.14	28.52	30.66
22	1.09	1.02	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.03	1.07	1.0	1.41	1.33	1.26	1.30
23	25.00	28.00	35.00	35.00	30.00	35.00	45.00	35.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	35.00
23	25.00	27.14	28.52	30.66	30.00	33.93	35.65	35.00	20.40	21.71	22.82	24.53
23	1.0	1.03	1.23	1.14	1.0	1.03	1.26	1.0	1.47	1,38	1.31	1.22
24	25.00	30.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	30.00
24	25.00	27.14	28.52	30.66	25.50	27.14	28.52	30.66	20.00	20.36	21.39	23.00
24	1.0	1.11	1.23	1.14	1.37	1.47	1.40	1.30	1.25	1.23	1.17	1.30
25	25.00	30.00	36.00	39.00	30.00	30.00	50.00	40.00	30.00	35.00	35.00	35.00
25	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	30.00	30.00	35.65	38.33	20.00	20.36	21.39	23.00
25	1.25	1.5	1.8	1,95	1.0	1.0	1.40	1.04	1.5	1.72	1.64	1.52
26	30.00	30.00	30.00	40.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	30.00	25.00	25.00	35.00	38.00
26	25.50	27.14	28.52	30.66	25.00	25.00	25.00	30.00	25.00	25.00	35.00	38.00
26	1.18	1.11	1.05	1.30	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1,0	1,0	1.0	1.0
27	25.00	24.00	26.00	25.00	23.00	34.00	34.00	35.00	25.00	32.00	38.00	35.00
27	25.00	24.00	26.00	25.00	23.00	33.93	34.00	35.00	21.00	21,71	22.82	24.53
27	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1,0	1.0C	1.0	1.0	1.19	1.47	1.67	1.43

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 20610: Arthrocentesis: Major Joint or Bursa

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
28	27.00	30.00	30.00	35.00	30.00	34.00	30.00	27.50	24.00	25.00	25.00	30.00
28	23.00	24.43	25.67	27.59	30.00	33.93	30.00	27.50	24.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
28	1.17	1.23	1.17	1.27	1.0	1.00	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 45300: Proctosigmoidoscopy

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	25.00	30.00	34.00	36.00	27.00	37.00	40.00	40.00	25.00	25.00	27.50	34.00
01	24.60	26.12	27.45	29.51	25.50	26.73	28.09	30.20	24.00	24.83	26.00	28.05
01	1.02	1.15	1.24	1.22	1.06	1.39	1.42	1.32	1.04	1.01	1.06	1.21
02	27.00	30.00	36.00	38.00	30.00	34.00	40.00	40.00	24.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
02	26.50	28.23	29.66	31.89	27.90	29.72	31.23	33.57	24.00	25.00	25.10	26.98
02	1.02	1.06	1.21	1.19	1.08	1.14	1.28	1.19	1.0	1.2	1.20	1.11
03	25.20	30.00	32.00	36.00	30.00	33.00	36.00	36.00	35.00	30.00	35.00	35.00
03	25.00	26.23	27.66	29.74	27.90	29.72	31.23	33.57	32.80	30.00	33.00	35.00
03	1.01	1.14	1.16	1.21	1.08	1.11	1.15	1.07	1.07	1.0	1.06	1.0
04	30.00	36.00	36.00	40.00	30.00	35.00	40.00	40.00	28.00	30.00	30.00	37.50
04	29.50	31.35	32.94	35.41	27.90	29.72	31.23	33.57	26.20	27.82	29.23	31.43
04	1.02	1.15	1.09	1.13	1.08	1.18	1.28	1.19	1.08	1.08	1.03	1.19
05	30.00	30.00	35.00	45.00	35.00	35.00	40.00	45.00	35.00	35.00	40.00	41.00
05	29.50	30.00	32.94	35.41	32.70	34.74	36.51	39.24	32.80	34.87	35.00	39.40
05	1.02	1.0	1.06	1.13	1.07	1.01	1.10	1.15	1.07	1.00	1.14	1.04
06	30.00	34.00	36.00	40.00	30.00	40.00	40.00	44.00	34.50	35.00	39.00	40.00
06	29.50	31.35	32.94	35.41	30.00	30.30	31.23	33.57	32.30	34.33	35.00	35.00
06	1.02	1.08	1.09	1.13	1.0	1.32	1.28	1.31	1.07	1.02	1.11	1.14
07	30.00	35.00	36.00	40.00	35.00	36.00	45.00	45.00	28.00	30.00	34.50	35.00
07	29.50	31.35	32.94	35.00	32.70	34.74	36.51	39.24	26.20	27.82	29.23	31.43
07	1.02	1.12	1.09	1.14	1.07	1.04	1.23	1.15	1.07	1.08	1.18	1.11
08	30.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	27.00	33.00	35.00	36.00	25.00	25.00	32.00	34.00
08	29.50	31.35	32.94	35.41	25.10	26.73	28.09	30.20	24.00	24.83	26.10	28.05
08	1.02	1.15	1.09	1.02	1.08	1.23	1.25	1.19	1.04	1.01	1.23	1.21
09	25.00	30.00	33.00	36.00	30.00	35.00	40.00	44.00	25.00	30.00	35.00	35.00
09	25.00	26.12	27.45	29.51	27.90	29.72	31.23	33.57	25.00	25.58	26.10	28.05
09	1.0	1.15	1.20	1.22	1.08	1.18	1.28	1.31	1.0	1.18	1.34	1.25

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 45300: Proctosigmoidoscopy

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
10	30.00	35.00	38.00	40.00	35.00	35.00	55.00	55.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	35.00
10	29.50	31.35	32.94	35.41	32.70	34.74	36.51	39.24	30.00	30.00	30.00	32.00
10	1.02	1.12	1.15	1.13	1.07	1.01	1.50	1.40	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.09
11	27.00	36.00	36.00	42.00	30.00	37.50	37.50	42.00	22.00	30.00	35.00	35.00
11	26.50	28.23	29.66	31.89	27.90	29.72	31.23	33.57	22.00	22.52	22.96	24.68
11	1.02	1.28	1.21	1.32	1.08	1.26	1.20	1.25	1.0	1.33	1.52	1.42
12	28.00	36.00	36.00	40.00	30.00	35.00	35.00	40.00	30.00	35.00	35.00	35.00
12	27.60	29.31	30.80	33.11	27.90	29.72	31.23	33.57	28.10	29.85	31.37	33.73
12	1.01	1.23	1.17	1.21	1.08	1.18	1.12	1.19	1.09	1.17	1.12	1.04
13	30.00	36.00	36.00	45.00	26.00	28.00	32.00	36.00	30.00	30.00	35.00	35.00
13	29.50	31.35	32.94	35.41	24.20	25.78	27.09	29.13	28.10	29.85	31.37	33.73
13	1.02	1.15	1.09	1.27	1.07	1.09	1.18	1.24	1.07	1.01	1.12	1.04
14	30.00	36.00	36.00	39.00	30.00	34.00	36.00	40.00	29.00	36.00	36.00	45.00
14	29.50	31.35	32.94	35.41	27.90	29.72	31.23	33.57	27.20	28.90	30.37	32.65
14	1.02	1.15	1.09	1.10	1.08	1.14	1.15	1.19	1.07	1.25	1.19	1.38
15	27.00	35.00	36.00	39.00	35.00	40.00	40.00	45.00	27.00	30.00	36.00	40.00
15	27.00	30.33	31.87	34.26	34.50	36.64	38.50	41.39	25.00	26.33	27.66	29.74
15	1.0	1.15	1.13	1.14	1.01	1.09	1.04	1.09	1.08	1.14	1.30	1.34
16	30.00	36.00	36.00	40.00	30.00	35.00	40.00	40.00	26.00	28.00	30.00	30.00
16	27.75	29.51	31.02	33.34	30.00	32.57	34.22	36.79	26.00	28.00	29.95	30.00
16	1.08	1.22	1.16	1.20	1.0	1.07	1.17	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.00	1.0
17	30.00	30.00	40.00	45.00	35.00	39.00	40.00	42.00	35.00	35.00	37.00	50.00
17	30.00	30.00	35.65	38.33	34.50	36.64	38.50	41.39	35.00	35.00	37.00	42.00
17	1.0	1.0	1.12	1.17	1.01	1.06	1.04	1.01	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.19
18	35.00	39.00	40.00	45.00	27.00	35.00	45.00	50.00	30.00	30.00	35.00	45.00
18	35.00	36.31	36.31	38.94	27.00	34.94	36.72	39.47	30.00	30.00	34.22	35.00
18	1.0	1.07	1.10	1.16	1.0	1.00	1.23	1.27	1.0	1.0	1.02	1.29

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 45300: Proctosigmoidoscopy

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
19	35.00	36.00	40.00	45.00	30.00	35.00	42.00	45.00	30.00	35.00	40.00	40.00
19	35.00	35.00	36.22	38.94	30.00	35.00	35.94	38.63	30.00	35.00	35.94	38.63
19	1.0	1.03	1.10	1.16	1.0	1.0	1.7	1.17	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.04
20	35.00	37.50	40.00	50.00	36.00	42.00	50.00	50.00	30.00	35.00	40.00	40.00
20	32.40	34.47	36.22	38.94	35.40	37.59	39.50	42.46	30.00	35.00	35.00	40.00
20	1.08	1.09	1.10	1.28	1.02	1.12	1.27	1.18	1.0	1.0	1.14	1.0
21	35.00	35.00	40.00	40.00	35.00	40.00	45.00	50.00	30.00	35.00	35.00	40.00
21	32.40	34.47	36.22	38.94	35.00	36.64	38.50	41.39	30.00	33.59	35.00	35.00
21	1.08	1.02	1.10	1.03	1.0	1.09	1.17	1.21	1.0	1.04	1.0	1.14
22	35.00	45.00	40.00	45.00	40.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	25.00	35.00	35.00	40.00
22	35.00	36.31	36.31	38.94	40.00	41.80	43.92	47.22	25.00	27.48	28.88	31.04
22	1.0	1.24	1.10	1.16	1.0	1.20	1.14	1.06	1.0	1.27	1.21	1.29
23	33.00	40.00	40.00	45.00	40.00	48.00	50.00	50.00	30.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
23	30.60	32.57	34.22	36.79	39.30	41.80	43.92	47.22	30.00	34.94	36.72	39.47
23	1.08	1.23	1.17	1.22	1.02	1.15	1.14	1.06	1.0	1.14	1.09	1.01
24	30.00	39.00	42.00	40.00	36.00	40.00	45.00	42.00	25.00	25.00	30.00	30.00
24	27.75	29.51	31.02	33.34	35.40	37.59	39.50	40.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	30.00
24	1.08	1.32	1.35	1.20	1.02	1.06	1.14	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.0
25	25.00	30.00	30.00	49.00	35.00	45.00	50.00	50.00	25.00	30.00	35.00	35.00
25	25.00	30.00	30.00	35.00	35.00	45.00	47.56	50.00	25.00	30.00	32.50	35.00
25	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.08	1.0
26	30.00	35.00	40.00	40.00	33.00	40.00	45.00	48.00	30.00	35.00	35.00	35.00
26	30.00	32.57	34.22	36.79	32.40	34.47	36.22	38.94	30.00	33.93	35.00	35.00
26	1.0	1.07	1.17	1.09	1.02	1.16	1.24	1.23	1.0	1.03	1.0	1.0
27	25.00	30.00	34.00	40.00	35.00	40.00	42.00	45.00	26.00	30.00	35.00	35.00
27	25.00	30.00	30.00	31.27	34.50	36.64	38.50	41.39	26.00	30.00	30.00	35.00
27	1.0	1.0	1.13	1.28	1.01	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.0	1.0	1.17	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 45300: Proctosigmoidoscopy

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	General Practice				General Surgery				Internal Medicine			
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
28	30.00	33.00	40.00	42.00	30.00	40.00	45.00	45.00	28.00	30.00	32.00	35.00
28	30.00	32.57	34.22	36.79	30.00	31.35	32.94	35.41	28.00	30.00	32.00	35.00
28	1.0	1.01	1.17	1.14	1.0	1.28	1.37	1.27	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 66900: Eye Surgery - Extraction of Lens

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Opthalmology											
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	800.00	950.00	1100.00	1050.00								
01	790.10	840.25	882.98	949.23								
01	1.01	1.13	1.25	1.11								
02	680.00	800.00	850.00	940.00								
02	680.00	714.19	750.50	806.82								
02	1.0	1.12	1.13	1.17								
03	750.00	850.00	900.00	1000.00								
03	740.70	787.74	827.79	889.91								
03	1.01	1.08	1.09	1.12								
04	660.00	800.00	900.00	900.00								
04	651.80	693.16	728.40	783.06								
04	1.01	1.15	1.24	1.15								
05	1000.00	1000.00	1100.00	1250.00								
05	987.60	1000.00	1100.00	1186.54								
05	1.01	1.0	1.0	1.05								
06	850.00	1000.00	1050.00	1100.00								
06	839.50	892.77	938.17	1008.56								
06	1.01	1.12	1.12	1.09								
07	850.00	900.00	1000.00	1100.00								
07	839.50	892.77	938.17	1000.00								
07	1.01	1.01	1.07	1.10								
08	800.00	880.00	960.00	1000.00								
08	790.10	840.25	882.98	949.23								
08	1.01	1.05	1.09	1.05								
09	800.00	880.00	1000.00	1100.00								
09	790.10	840.25	882.98	949.23								
09	1.01	1.05	1.13	1.16								

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 66900: Eye Surgery - Extraction of Lens

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Opthalmology											
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
10	700.00	900.00	1000.00	1000.00								
10	691.30	735.22	772.61	830.58								
10	1.01	1.22	1.38	1.20								
11	900.00	900.00	1000.00	1200.00								
11	888.90	900.00	993.35	1020.00								
11	1.01	1.0	1.01	1.18								
12	800.00	900.00	950.00	1000.00								
12	790.10	840.25	882.98	949.25								
12	1.01	1.07	1.08	1.05								
13	700.00	840.00	880.00	950.00								
13	691.30	735.22	772.61	830.58								
13	1.01	1.14	1.14	1.14								
14	740.00	960.00	1000.00	1035.00								
14	730.90	777.29	816.81	878.10								
14	1.01	1.24	1.22	1.18								
15	770.00	850.00	900.00	990.00								
15	770.00	822.34	864.16	929.00								
15	1.0	1.03	1.04	1.07								
16	800.00	900.00	1010.00	1100.00								
16	800.00	900.00	950.00	1073.10								
16	1.0	1.0	1.06	1.03								
17	850.00	1100.00	1200.00	1200.00								
17	850.00	949.90	998.20	1073.10								
17	1.0	1.16	1.20	1.12								
18	950.00	1067.00	1150.00	1250.00								
18	950.00	1067.00	1100.00	1200.00								
18	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.04								

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 66900: Eye Surgery - Extraction of Lens

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

	Opthalmology											
PSRO	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
19	870.00	1000.00	1200.00	1200.00								
19	870.00	1000.00	1140.80	1200.00								
19	1.0	1.0	1.05	1.0								
20	1100.00	1250.00	1300.00	1400.00								
20	1100.00	1174.75	1234.49	1300.00								
20	1.0	1.06	1.05	1.08								
21	800.00	960.00	1000.00	1100.00								
21	800.00	949.90	998.20	1073.10								
21	1.0	1.01	1.00	1.03								
22	1100.00	1200.00	1300.00	1400.00								
22	1100.00	1174.75	1234.49	1300.00								
22	1.0	1.02	1.05	1.08								
23	900.00	1100.00	1200.00	1250.00								
23	900.00	1085.60	1140.80	1226.40								
23	1.0	1.01	1.05	1.02								
24	1000.00	1000.00	1240.00	1300.00								
24	1000.00	1000.00	1122.26	1206.47								
24	1.0	1.0	1.11	1.08								
25	1000.00	1200.00	1250.00	1500.00								
25	1000.00	1153.45	1212.10	1300.00								
25	1.0	1.04	1.03	1.15								
26	850.00	1000.00	1100.00	1165.00								
26	850.00	907.83	953.99	1025.58								
26	1.0	1.10	1.15	1.14								
27	800.00	1000.00	1000.00	1100.00								
27	800.00	882.05	926.90	996.45								
27	1.0	1.13	1.08	1.10								

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Procedure 66900: Eye Surgery - Extraction of Lens

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

PSRO	Opthalmology											
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980	1977	1978	1979	1980
28	840.00	900.00	960.00	1150.00								
28	840.00	900.00	950.00	1073.10								
28	1.0	1.0	1.01	1.07								

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Basic Anesthesia

Actual Prevailing
Indexed Prevailing
Ratio of Actual/Indexed Prevailing

Area	1977	1978	1979	1980
01	13.30	17.10	20.00	21.50
	11.00	11.67	12.26	13.18
	1.21			
02	13.10	15.00	20.00	21.00
	10.50	11.13	11.69	12.57
	1.25	1.35	1.71	1.67
03	14.60	20.00	22.00	22.00
	13.10	13.98	14.69	15.79
	1.11	1.43	1.50	1.39
04	15.90	20.00	24.00	26.00
	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
	1.24	1.47	1.68	1.70
05	15.40	18.00	21.10	22.20
	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
	1.20	1.33	1.48	1.45
06	16.20	18.75	22.00	23.00
	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
	1.27	1.38	1.54	1.50
07	15.80	18.90	22.00	24.00
	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
	1.23	1.39	1.54	1.57
08	13.30	20.00	23.75	24.75
	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
	1.04	1.47	1.67	1.61
09	15.00	20.00	23.00	24.80
	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80
	1.30	1.64	1.79	1.80
10	12.60	15.75	20.00	21.00
	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80
	1.10	1.29	1.56	1.52
11	13.60	19.20	20.40	22.00
	11.25	12.15	12.80	13.77
	1.21	1.58	1.59	1.60
12	14.10	19.20	22.00	23.00
	12.10	12.89	13.55	14.56
	1.17	1.49	1.62	1.58
13	13.60	21.40	22.90	22.00
	11.20	11.94	12.55	13.49
	1.19	1.79	1.82	1.63
14	15.00	22.20	26.70	27.90
	11.40	12.08	12.69	13.64
	1.32	1.84	2.10	2.05
15	12.90	18.00	20.00	22.00
	12.80	13.90	14.61	15.71
	1.01	1.29	1.37	1.40
16	14.40	20.00	22.00	24.20
	11.50	12.21	12.83	13.80
	1.25	1.64	1.71	1.75
17	15.00	20.00	22.70	25.00
	12.40	13.16	13.83	14.87
	1.21	1.52	1.64	1.68

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND INDEXED PREVAILING CHARGES

Basic Anesthesia
(Cont.)

Area	1977	1978	1979	1980
18	15.00	21.50	23.30	24.90
	13.30	14.11	14.83	15.94
	1.13	1.52	1.57	1.56
19	16.90	22.00	25.10	28.00
	14.90	15.88	16.68	17.94
	1.13	1.39	1.50	1.56
20	15.70	22.00	24.20	26.90
	14.20	15.06	15.83	17.02
	1.11	1.46	1.53	1.58
21	15.60	21.80	24.20	25.90
	13.70	14.52	15.26	16.40
	1.14	1.50	1.59	1.58
22	15.80	23.10	25.70	28.90
	15.10	16.01	16.83	18.09
	1.05	1.44	1.53	1.60
23	15.00	21.50	25.00	26.40
	14.20	15.06	15.83	17.02
	1.06	1.43	1.58	1.55
24	16.50	21.70	25.00	26.50
	14.00	14.93	15.69	16.85
	1.18	1.45	1.59	1.56
25	16.70	22.50	27.50	29.60
	15.40	16.42	17.25	18.55
	1.08	1.37	1.59	1.60
26	16.20	21.70	25.40	28.00
	14.60	15.47	16.26	17.48
	1.11	1.40	1.56	1.60
27	14.40	19.40	22.20	23.60
	12.80	13.57	14.26	15.33
	1.13	1.43	1.56	1.54
28	15.60	20.00	23.10	24.20
	13.10	13.98	14.69	15.79
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